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—Dr. C. C. Kost and family are home
from Jacksonville.

—The thermometer registered 98 de-
grees at Chicago yesterday.

—Miss Field, of Hillsboro, is a visitor
at the Dr. O. B. Blackman home.

—A large number of Polo people at-
tended the Assembly last evening.

—L. W. Smith and John Brearton
are up from Morrison to attend the
races.

—All is not lost. Both the Demo-
cratic nominees do not eat pie with a
knife.

—We go to press at noon today in
order that our printers can witness the
races.

—Mrs. Ella Smith and son of Chica-
go are visiting at the E. C. Smith
home in North Dixon.

—It was bad time for our city
authorities to plow up that street lead-
ing to Assembly Park.

—Mr. Guffin of the Sterling Stan-
dard was up on his bike yesterday and
visited at Assembly Park.

—Dr. Prettyman will be at the Na-
chusa house on Thursday, July 15th.
to wait on all persons desiring his ser-
vices.

—Lee County Times:—Mrs. E. W.
Davison is down from Dixon to visit a
short time with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. R. Lillie.

The Pawpaw ball team went to
Mendota on Thursday, of last week
and let the Mendota boys beat them.
The score was 16 to 7.

—John Thomas, living on West
Second St., has some over 1000 cab-
bages growing and is delivering them
weighing from ten to twelve pounds.

—A swarm of bees lit on the head of
Scott White, a farmer living near New
Castle, Penn., the other day, and stung
him so severely that he is not expected
to live.

—The remains of Mrs. David A.
Holly were laid to rest yesterday at
Sugar Grove by loving friends and
relatives of Cherokee, Iowa, and this
city and Palmyra.

—A noted agriculturist claims that
the corn at Willow Wood, belonging
to Donald F. Hayden, south of Don De-
Tour, is the tallest, most thrifty and
best developed in Ogle County.

—The W. C. T. U. of Michigan comes
out against root beer as a sort of alco-
holic thing to be tabooed. Great
Scott! Is there no balm in Gilead for
thirsty souls in these dry, hot days.

—At the regular meeting of the
Philomathean Society at the Stein-
man Institute on Monday evening it
was decided to discontinue the literary
exercises until the 1st of October.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schick came
home from Chicago last evening ac-
companied by Miss Elma Schick, of
Philadelphia, a niece of Mr. Schick,
who will remain here all summer.

—Fifty years ago John Keen, a Ches-
ter county, Penn., farmer, cut his
initials on the back of a turtle. He
found it the other day very much
grown, and with no signs of old age.

—The Chicago Journal considers
candidate Bryan's proclamation that,
if elected, he will not be a candidate
for a second term, was one of the safest
campaign utterances ever put forth by
moral man.

—Lee County Times: The court
house election petition was signed by
over 300 voters in Wyoming. The com-
mittee in charge of the matter claim
to have more than 500 names above the
number required for calling the elec-
tion.

—The owner of a "throw" which was
found on North Galena avenue can
find same at this office. A throw is a
piece of fancy work that the wife
throws over the corner of a picture
frame or back of a chair and the hus-
band, if he dares, throws into the
corner.

—A citizen of Indianapolis "went
crazy" over the proceedings of the
Chicago convention. We are not sur-
prised. There are others. The man
was too sudden in his sympathy for
those free silver Democrats and in his
efforts to learn what and "where they
were at" he went daft.

—Mr. Bryan, the Democratic can-
didate for President in his speech at
the convention stated that "A free
silver ticket would carry every state
of the Union." A man who could
make such an abused statement as
that is not a fit person to place at the
head of this great nation.

—All the papers state that in that
Chicago convention last week, "Men
acted like mad beings and actually
hugged each other." The Journal
suggested that it will be in order for
them to sober off and go home and hug
their wives. This convention hugging
is a waste of the raw material.

STREET SPRINKLING STOPPED.

Water Supply not Sufficient—Too much
Waste.

Superintendent John Wasley this
morning prohibited the use of city
water for street sprinkling purposes
except in the business portion of the
city, or on the brick pavement. He
claims that this is made necessary on
account of the waste of water in lawn
sprinkling, many consumers letting the
water run all night. There is no de-
crease whatever in the flow from the
artesian wells, but the pumps at the
Water Works are kept going from 5
o'clock in the morning until 12 at night
and both cistern and tank are kept
nearly empty. In case of a large fire
water from the river would have to be
pumped into the mains. The wells are
flowing from nine to ten hundred
thousand gallons every twenty-four
hours.

Under the present system and prices
every body feels like stealing a little
water when they need it, and some sel-
fishly let it run unnecessarily to waste.
We can give the Water Company a
pointer which if followed will alleviate
the trouble materially: Make all con-
sumers buy meters, and charge them
meter rates, and they will not use so
much water, and you will get good pay
for the water used.

Sewall A. Monoplist.

"What fools we mortals be!" the oft
repeated remark of Puck, was never
more appropriate than in commenting
upon the conduct of blather-skites.
After all the rantankerous speeches
at the Chicago convention last week
against Monopoly and Monoplist,
bond-holders and the money power,
what could be more ridiculous than
the nomination for second place on the
Democratic ticket of a millionaire mono-
pologist. There comes a dispatch from
the east which states that those who
know Arthur Sewall and his financial
history smile when they know that he
was nominated by a convention whose
hatred of monopolists and trusts
and rich men was its strongest charac-
teristic. Arthur Sewall is one of the
heaviest stockholders in one of the
most grinding trust corporations of the
country. As a heavy holder in New
England Railroad stock, he is a mem-
ber of the railroad trust which has
pumped New England dry and poured
millions of wealth into the pockets of
its owners. The extortion which the
New England railroad trust has prac-
ticed upon the people of that section
for years has been a matter of record,
and Dr. Sewall is one of the chief ben-
eficiaries.

Board of Supervisors.

Mayor C. H. Hughes this morning
appeared before the Lee County Board
of Supervisors in session at the court
house and placed before them the
necessity of a public hospital and
urged that the county should give
some pecuniary aid to the project under
way here in Dixon. He mentioned the
fact that several times within the past
year the county was at a great ex-
pense to care for strangers and poor
people injured here, with no place but
a hotel to take them too where nurses
had to be hired. The board at five
o'clock this afternoon will take the
matter under consideration and we
believe will give a liberal
donation. At noon the board
adjourned to attend the bicycle races,
for which the racing board furnished
them complimentary tickets.

And Still the Good Work Goes On—
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We desire to present to the Hospital
Board the gross receipts of soda foun-
tain for one day, providing cream and
ice can be obtained.

Respectfully, BUNNELL & BARLEY.

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Board accepted this kind offer and
have chosen Friday, July 31, Hospital
Day at Assembly Park for the
day we should drink soda water, milk
shakes, cherry, eat ice cream and
treat "our sisters, our cousins and
aunts," or somebody else's sister, at
Bunnell & Barleys.

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The stockholders of the Dixon Hedge
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day and elected the following officers
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Treasurer, Warren Smith. Board of
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NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Third Great National Convention Foregatherers.

POPULISTS CONVENE AT ST. LOUIS,

With a Silver Annex That May Be Called the Fourth—Decision One of Great Moment to Bryan—Two Propositions That Will Supply the Issue for the Delegates—Democratic Nominee Visits Centralia and Speaks—The Administration to Bolt at the Polls—Political Notes.

St. Louis, July 15.—The rush of politicians to attend the Populist and silver national conventions has not yet set in, although a few of the leaders have arrived. Chairman Taubeneck and Sergeant-at-Arms McDowell, of the Populist national committee, predict one of the largest crowds that ever attended a convention. "Many of the best men in the party will be here," continued Chairman Taubeneck. "Among the prominent ones there are Senator Marion Butler and Congressman Harry Skinner, of North Carolina; Judge J. K. Huids and T. M. E. Watson, of Georgia; General Field, Major Mann Page and Captain Edmond R. Coche, of Virginia; ex-Governor Buchanan, A. L. Minnus, J. H. McDowell, John J. Blair, Thomas S. Pettit and L. K. Taylor, of Tennessee.

Big Delegation From Illinois.

"Illinois will send a big delegation in which will be John P. Stelle, Howard S. Taylor, A. L. Maxwell, Eugene Smith and Charles Palmer. There will be 1,350 delegates, representing over 2,000,000 voters. We have every reason to believe that in point of numbers attending it will far out-rank the Republican convention. We shall meet in the same building, which will afford an opportunity observe the strong points of difference." Sergeant-at-Arms McDowell announced that the trunk line commission, with headquarters in New York city, had telegraphed him granting one fare for the round trip, to start on the 20th only and start on the return on the 26th, reaching final destination not later than the 28th.

The Issue Before the Gathering.

As the Populists begin to gather it is evident that there will be two propositions made which will form the chief contention of the convention. One is that the Populists shall abandon any idea of a separate and distinct national ticket and indorse outright the candidates and the platform of the Chicago convention. This proposition will be supported by the friends of Teller, nearly all the Populist members of the United States senate and the People's party leaders in many of the western states. The west, the southwest and the northwest are nearly solid for the proposition to indorse Bryan and put up no other ticket.

A Proposition from the South.

From the south come delegates, and party leaders who are not delegates, to the convention, urging another proposition—to put up a presidential ticket, adopt a platform, run presidential electors in all the states where the People's party has an organization, and then when the time comes to cast the vote in the electoral college let the Populists and Democrats combine on the strongest man—whether that be Bryan or the Populist nominee. Vigorous objection is urged against this on the ground that it would be dangerous to the cause of free silver. It would divide the strength of its adherents, and in some of the close states where one or the other holds the balance of power a division of their strength might give the state to McKinley.

National Silver Party Convention.

The convention of the National silver party, which convenes in this city July 22 at the Exposition building, will vie in numbers with that of the Populists, which meets the same day. The National silver convention will have 1,200 delegates and as many alternates, coming from every state in the Union, the representation being based on the estimated strength of the advocates of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, irrespective of former party affiliations. This convention takes in all the other organized bodies favoring silver not included in the Populist party, and among those who will attend are the once Republican senators such as Teller and Stewart, and William P. St. John, of New York, who was forced to resign a national bank presidency because of his silver views. He will probably be chairman.

BRYAN PAYS A VISIT TO CENTRALIA.

Crowd Is Not Large to Welcome Him—Runs Into the Republicans.

SALEM, Ills., July 15.—Hon. W. J. Bryan's principal business yesterday was a visit to Centralia, which seems to have been badly managed. Scarcely 300 people all told were at the station when the train bearing Bryan and his wife pulled in. It was evidently the fault of the local Democrats who invited him to come. It was hastily gotten up. It was only in the morning that bills were scattered about the town saying that Bryan was coming. A club of Democratic voters arrived from Nashville with a band about 7:30, and a few minutes later one came in from Fairfield, but they added scarcely 200 people to the crowd. To make matters worse the place selected for Bryan to meet the crowd was at the City park, which had already been engaged by William E. Mason, Republican candidate for the United States senate from this state.

On this account Bryan and his friends had to vacate before 8 o'clock. The big majority of the crowd that went to the park appeared to be Republicans who had expected to listen to Mason talk. There were frequent cheers for McKinley, and then the friends of Democracy would shout for Bryan, Altgeld and free silver. Governor Altgeld was not there, and does not seem to have been invited, though it was announced that he was coming. Upon the arrival at Centralia Mr. and Mrs. Bryan were taken in a carriage to the home of Captain S. L. Dwyght, whose wife is Bryan's cousin. Here there was an informal reception to the ladies of Centralia, who were presented to the nominee and his wife. There were several hundred women there and the affair was decidedly pleasant. A pleasant collection of refreshments was served after which the visiting party was taken to the City park.

The crowd insisted on a speech and Bryan talked of the issues of the campaign for a few minutes, arguing, of course, principally for free silver. He was frequently applauded and when he closed there were tremendous cheers. The visitors were then escorted to a carriage and amid the peals of bands driven to the railway station, where they took the train for

Salem and arrived home in due time safe and sound. Before he started to Centralia the nominee took his children and went to the house in which he was born, where he had his photograph taken.

A story has been going the rounds of the press regarding the devoutness of Judge Bryan, the Chicago candidate's father. According to Colonel Thomas E. Merritt Judge Bryan was dangerously ill shortly after reaching Illinois, and at that time made a vow that if the Lord would spare his life he would bow his head in prayer and thanksgiving to him three times a day as long as he lived. "And the judge kept his word," said Colonel Merritt; "and I have seen him many and many a time—when a case in court was being argued before him—I have seen him take out his watch at noon, stop the proceedings, get down on his knees before the bench and offer up the prayer in silence. "It became so common that we never thought anything of it, but it used to cause comment among strangers when they would happen to be in the court room. The judge was twice a member of the Illinois senate and once a member of the state constitutional convention. He was twice nominated for congress, and could have been elected, but he would not allow the use of a single cent for campaign expenses."

HAMLIN FAVORS A BALLOT BOLT.

Believed to Speak for the Administration—Secretary Herbert Kicks Out.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The Evening Star of yesterday said: Assistant Secretary Hamlin, of the treasury department, has given out a short statement in explanation of his position with regard to the Democratic platform and nominations. Inasmuch as Hamlin represented the administration forces at the Chicago convention, and as he has been in frequent consultation with Secretary Carlisle over the political situation since the adjournment of the convention, the statement made by him will undoubtedly be accepted by many as a semi-official declaration of the position of the "sound money" men of the administration.

This impression is further strengthened by the belief that Hamlin has seen President Cleveland since the adjournment of the convention. The statement referred to is as follows: "No political issue is involved in this coming election. The question to be decided is far deeper and more vital. The perpetuity of republican institutions has been threatened. Every loyal citizen should rally himself against the forces which controlled the Chicago convention—forces of lawlessness, which are inconsistent with the maintenance of the republic."

"Henceforth there should be no Republicans, no Democrats, but a union of loyal citizens against the combined forces of repudiation and disorder. When once this dangerous element has been stamped out at the polls by an indignant people we can again divide and discuss those political questions which for generations have kept alive the two great political parties."

It can be stated by authority that Secretary Herbert will not support the ticket nominated by the Chicago convention.

Iowa Republican Convention.

DES MOINES, July 15.—Delegates to the Republican state convention have been arriving rapidly and last night the hotel lobbies were crowded. Rollin M. Wilson, of Fairfield, who was selected for temporary chairman, is prostrated by the heat and will not be able to fill his position. The committee has selected Congressman W. P. Hepburn for temporary presiding officer. Senators Allison and Gear are both here.

Says They Will All Come Back.

SYRACUSE, July 15.—Arthur Sewall, the Democratic nominee for vice president, passed through Syracuse yesterday. He was asked: "What do you think of the action of Democratic papers in the east bolting the recently adopted platform?" "Oh," said Sewall, "they will all come back into the fold. In the west the people are all enthusiastic over the ticket. Mr. Bryan is a very strong man."

Silver Men of the Hawkeye State.

DES MOINES, July 15.—The free silver men held a union meeting here yesterday. There were about 150 delegates in attendance, besides many visitors. The meeting was made up of men of all parties. It was decided to place a congressional candidate in the field in each district. An attempt will be made to fuse with the Democrats. A delegation to the St. Louis convention next week was selected.

The Teller Conference Again Postponed.

DENVER, July 15.—Senator Teller has returned to Denver from Manitou, where he has been in conference with Senator Dubois and Congressman Hartman as to the course the approaching campaign. They have postponed their conference until after silver Republicans can arrive. Teller makes no secret of his intention to support Bryan.

Resigns Because of the Convention.

CHICAGO, July 15.—Ex Mayor Hopkins has sent to Chairman Hinrichsen his resignation as a member of the Democratic state central committee. In his letter of resignation Hopkins says: "I am a Democrat, but I do not believe that the candidates chosen and the principles promulgated by the Peoria and Chicago conventions represent the Democracy."

Hill Has Said Nothing Yet.

ALBANY, July 15.—Senator David B. Hill left for New York city yesterday afternoon and will confer there with the leaders as to the attitude of the New York delegation upon the support of the ticket named at the Chicago convention. He says he has not yet expressed himself to anybody on the Chicago convention.

Boston Democrats Ratify.

BOSTON, July 15.—George Fred Williams, fresh from the Chicago convention, received an ovation at the Democratic ratification meeting last night in Faneuil hall. Williams explained his conversion to the cause of the silver standard and indorsed the national ticket. He also spoke at an overflow meeting.

Delaware Republicans—Addicks Faction.

DOVER, July 15.—The Addicks faction of the Republican delegates met in convention yesterday. The platform adopted is a standard Republican document, indorsing the St. Louis convention. John H. Hoffer, of Smyrna, was nominated for governor.

Stevenson Will Support Bryan.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., July 15.—Vice President Stevenson and wife arrived in the city yesterday from Bloomington, Ills., and are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Hardin. The vice president said last night: "I will support the nominee of the Chicago convention."

FIRED ONLY WADS.

Sensation-Hunting Frenchman Who Shot at Faure.

NOTHING IN HIS GUN BUT BLANKS.

Had Some Grievances, or Thought He Had and an Idea That Noise Would Get Them Redressed—Comes Near Getting Himself Lynched Instead; That Is, as Near as Possible in France, Which Is Not Texas—The Shooter Arrested.

PARIS, July 15.—Throughout the sensational incidents of yesterday and the exciting scenes that accompanied and followed the attempt upon his life, President Faure maintained an outwardly placid demeanor and manifested not the slightest sign of agitation. When Francois, the would-be assassin, straightened up from his lounging position against a tree and deliberately opened fire upon the president of the republic the latter showed no symptom of alarm, and the open carriage in which he was riding made no pause, but proceeded across the review ground to the presidential tribune, where he was to review the troops who were out on parade in honor of the anniversary of the fall of the Bastille.

Cheered Enthusiastically by the Throng.

The cool-headed course pursued by the president promptly reassured the crowd of his personal safety and welfare, and the first momentary apprehension of a tragedy gave way to a frenzy of congratulation. The president's carriage was greeted in its progress to the presidential tribune after the shots had been fired with enthusiastic cheers from the dense crowds which packed all sides of the parade ground in expectation of the brilliant spectacle. Shouts arose from thousands of throats "Vive Faure," "Vive la Republique," and similar cries to express the sympathy and congratulation of the multitude. President Faure maintained his calm and self-possessed demeanor and after he had taken his place in the presidential tribune frequently acknowledged the cordial greetings that was given him from all sides by raising his hat.

Some Indications of Judge Lynch.

The man Francois, who fired the two shots, was surrounded at the moment by hundreds of people whose attention was, however, directed towards the president's carriage. The immediate spectators of the act, horrified and indignant, rushed upon the shooter with loud cries of "A mort." "A mort." Things looked decidedly threatening for M. Francois, and it seemed as though summary punishment was to be wreaked upon him on the spot by the infuriated crowd for his attempted crime. But a strong escort of police appeared promptly on the scene and took charge of the culprit and succeeded in transferring him in safety to a police station.

Simply a Sensation Idiot.

There Francois was immediately examined and stated in reply to queries that he was a foreman in the municipal office of works. The revolver from which the two shots had been fired was still in his possession. It was a small weapon of the bull-dog pattern, and its chambers still contained undischarged blank cartridges. Francois claimed that the two cartridges which he had discharged were also blank, and that his purpose in firing them was simply to create a sensation and thus call attention to his grievances. Another man named Boulant was also arrested at the same time as Francois.

Faure Receives an Ovation.

When the latter had fired at the president and the crowd rushed at him with a threatening aspect, Boulant came to his defense, exclaiming: "Well done. That's the man for me." Upon the return from Long Champs to the city after the review of the troops was over President Faure received a tremendous ovation from the people who lined the whole route, anxious for a glimpse of the president. Loud cries of "Vive le President" and "Vive la Republique" resounded from all sides. The full name of the man who shot is found to be Eugene Marie Francois. His record proves to be well known, and he has before been under the surveillance of the police.

Grievance of the Shooter.

He was dismissed from his position as foreman of municipal works in June for sending threatening verses to the president of the municipal council. On June 29 he threw into the chamber of deputies a pamphlet entitled "Freedom of Writing in the Nineteenth Century Under Felix L." In this pamphlet he spoke of the abuses of the administration and declared that attempts had been made to poison him wherever he went.

REAL ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE.

A Salvadorean Tries to Shoot Ex-President Ezeta, at Trisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15.—An attempt was made to kill Carlos Ezeta, ex-president of San Salvador, yesterday. As Ezeta was sitting at lunch in the dining room of his hotel, Pedro Jimmes, a Salvadorean, walked up to the table at which Ezeta and a party of friends were seated and spat in the face of the ex-president. Ezeta sprang at Jimmes, who drew a pistol and pulled the trigger.

The weapon did not discharge readily, and before the assassin could accomplish his purpose he was seized by Ezeta's friends and held until the arrival of police assistance. Jimmes has been here six months. He was formerly district attorney of Salvador and incurred the dislike of Ezeta in the prosecution of a criminal. He had announced his intention of killing Ezeta because he had been imprisoned and tortured.

Li Hung Will Visit England.

LONDON, July 15.—Lord Salisbury, on behalf of the queen, has invited Li Hung Chang, who is now in Paris, to visit England at the national expense. Li Hung Chang has accepted this invitation, and will stay in England for a month from Aug. 3. He will be lodged in a mansion probably on Carlton House terrace. Li Hung Chang contemplated a visit to England when he went to Russia as the special envoy of the emperor of China to the coronation of the czar, but it was not expected that he would be a national guest.

Canadian Yacht Again Wins.

NEW YORK, July 15.—The result of the second day's racing in the series of the Glencairn, of the Royal St. Lawrence club, and El Hirie, for the silver challenge cup offered by the Seawanhaka Corinthian club for half raters, was another victory for the Canadian, and a demonstration that she is superior to her rival in all points of sailing.

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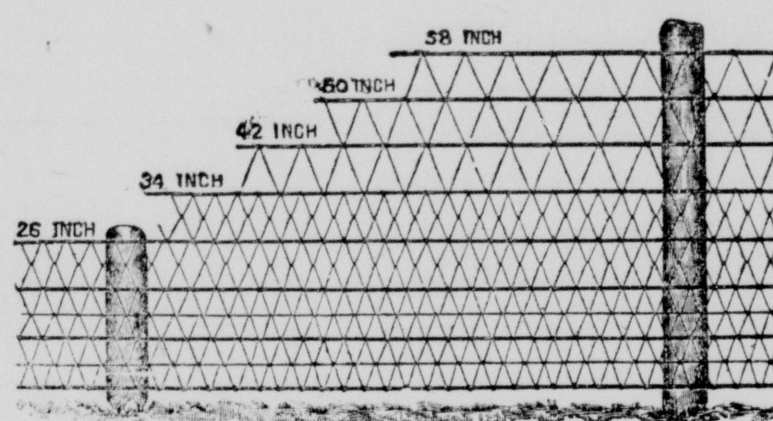
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BAYARD TALKS OF THE TROUBLE.

Remarks on American Politics Seem to Defy Congressional Action.

NEW YORK, July 15.—The World has a special from London containing an interview with Ambassador Bayard in which he says, referring to the Chicago convention: "Candidly, I am so distressed over the situation, and it is so chaotic, that—anchored as I am off here—the smoke must rise from the field before the line of national defense can be defined by myself or, perhaps, any Democrat." He said that "a system of plunder by taxation has created a national distress, for which repudiation and ruin are supposed to be remedies."
"From your declaration, then, Mr. Bayard, I infer you could not counsel any Democrat who has opposed a high tariff to vote for McKinley?"
"I should be wanting in the candor demanded in the present grave crisis," replied Bayard, "should I withhold my sincere belief that unequal and unjust taxation, steadily increasing for thirty-five years, epitomized now as McKinleyism, has been the natural parent of Coxey, Debs and Altgeld, and the deplorable outcome of the late Chicago convention, and that it will continue and intensify the cause and inevitably the effects will be continued and increased."

IN HONOR OF THE ENDEAVORERS.

Washington Wheelmen, to the Number of Several Thousand, Parade.
WASHINGTON, July 15.—The wheelmen of Washington last night participated in an immense parade in honor of the visiting Christian Endeavor riders. Several thousand bicyclists, many wearing fantastic costumes and bearing lanterns and illuminated floats, were an hour and fifteen minutes in passing a given point.
Among the organizations participating were the Mount Pleasant Field band on bicycles, cyclists of military bodies, Christian Endeavorers, L. A. W., local clubs and many unattached riders. Postmaster General Wilson, Colonel Haywood and Commissioner Ross were among the judges. Prizes were awarded for original costumes and organizations making the best appearance.

A large number of the Christian Endeavor delegates remaining in the city visited the home of Washington at Mount Vernon, where the feature was the planting of a "Peace Oak" at 4:30 o'clock. The exercises were very simple, but entirely appropriate to the time and place. President Francis Clark, of the United society, made the introductory remarks.

WHAT WILL THE MAGNATES DO?

Tebeau Can Cut Up as He Pleases with the Courts' Help.

CHICAGO, July 15.—The case of the National Base Ball League against Tebeau, of the Cleveland club, for "boisterous effervescence," as it were, on the ball field, by which the national game was made more like a national riot, seems, with the help of the various courts of the country, to have gone against the League. It goes without saying that discipline in the League must be sharp and prompt if it is efficient, and when "government by injunction" intervenes the League may as well give it up.
According to the dictum of the League magnates Tebeau was to pay a heavy fine for his riotous effervescence on the field or be suspended. This suspension was to begin Monday, but Tebeau played all the same, his manager having got out injunctions ad lib. and almost ad infinitum, which restrained the League from doing anything it was constructed to do. An injunction got out at Louisville even restrains the Louisville club from protesting.

Records of the Base Ball Men.

CHICAGO, July 15.—Base ball scores made by League clubs were as follows: At Chicago—Philadelphia 9, Chicago 3; at Cleveland—New York 1, Cleveland 7; at Cincinnati—Brooklyn 4, Cincinnati 3; at Louisville—Baltimore 1, Louisville 1; at Pittsburgh—Boston 0, Pittsburgh 7; at St. Louis—Washington 1, St. Louis 8.
Western League: At Minneapolis—Grand Rapids 4, Minneapolis 3; at St. Paul—Detroit 4, St. Paul 19; at Milwaukee—Indianapolis 1, Milwaukee 10; at Kansas City—Columbus 12, Kansas City 14.
Western Association: At St. Joseph—Dubuque 13, St. Joseph 8; at Des Moines—Rockford 2, Des Moines 11; at Quincy—Peoria 8, Quincy 13; at Cedar Rapids—Burlington 8, Cedar Rapids 10.

Failure at Chippewa Falls.

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., July 15.—The Post Mercantile company, established here a year ago by A. J. Post & Sons, was compelled to close its doors yesterday. Possession of the stock was taken by the Eau Claire Grocery company and the Chippewa Valley bank, both of Eau Claire, which held chattel mortgages on the stock aggregating \$20,000. This represents the total liabilities of the concern, but owing to Post's absence from the city it is impossible to determine the assets.

International Rowing Race Talk.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Replying to Jake Gaudaur's challenge to James Stansbury, who defeated Wag Harding on Monday for the rowing championship of England, to row for the championship of the world, Stansbury has cabled to a sporting paper that he will row Gaudaur over the Thames course early in September for \$5,000 a side and for championship.

Southern Spindles To Be Stopped.

FALL RIVER, Mass., July 15.—A circular letter received from T. H. Martin, secretary of the Southern Textile association, Monday states that the 2,500,000 spindles in the south 1,923,000 will be stopped for varying terms. Some of these agree to close until Aug. 1, others for sixty days and the remainder until Oct. 1.

Found Drowned in a Bath Tub.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., July 15.—Mrs. Matilda Isacson, a midwife who lived at Seventh and Banks streets, was found dead in a bath tub in J. Max Darrouguez's barber shop. She had gone in at night, and according to custom the employes left her bathing and locked up.

Ninety-four in the Shade.

ST. LOUIS, July 15.—Ninety-four in the shade was recorded by the signal service bureau thermometer yesterday, but on the streets the heat was more intense, the mercury reaching the 100 mark. This was by far the hottest day experienced here during the season.

Paper Company in Trouble.

CINCINNATI, July 15.—Edward Knapp, secretary of the Louis Snyder's Sons Paper company, has applied for a receiver. The company failed three years ago and had been reorganized. Liabilities and assets each over \$100,000.

CHICAGO TERRORS

Thirteen of Them Rounded Up by the Authorities.

LONG AND SHORT OF IT AT LAST.

Two Men Who Have Been Doing Such a Great Hold-Up Business Believed to Have Been Captured—Strong Evidence Against the Suspects, Who Are More or Less Identified by a Number of Their Victims.

CHICAGO, July 15.—The pair who have been terrorizing the community for the past two months are safe in the arms of Chief Badenoch and his men. Both were identified yesterday. They are: John O. Collins, the "long man," William (alias "Red") Sullivan, the "short man." Besides these the following have been partially identified as connected with the various crimes which make up the appalling series: Ed (alias "Brookie") Murphy, Louis Larson, John Moran, William Condon, Patrick Lally, Cornelius McCarthy, Thomas McGowan, William H. Burr, John Frazee, Thomas McCarthy, William J. Wiley.

Collins Shows Evidence of Guilt.
The evidence against Collins is strong, and it is strengthening every hour. When he was brought up before the crowd of over 100 people to be identified he shook visibly. Men and women from nearly every one of the places which have been held up the robbers were packed in the squad room at Central station waiting to pick out the men whose victims they had been. Close on to 100 of the "pick-ups" had been brought before the throng, when John O. Collins was led up from downstairs with three others closely guarded. A table separated him from the men and women who were to be accusers. He tried to assume a defiant air as he walked in, but as he faced the crowd he weakened.

Miss Lucas Says He Is the Man.

There was a little stir, and several who had been in the background pressed forward to get a better look at him. Collins was shaking from head to foot. He was led down to the west end of the room, where the women were. He could not be seen from the other end. Miss Lucas, the stenographer for the New York Biscuit company, took a long and steady look at him. "That's the man," she said in a low voice. Chief Badenoch had directed all citizens who identified anybody to keep quiet about it at the time, giving their names to him for use later.

Collins Is the "Long Man."

The New York Biscuit people, including Cashier Hynes and Assistant Manager Goan, looked at him earnestly. Then they talked to each other in whispers. "I am quite positive he's the man," said each one of them. The desperate "long man's" knees were trembling. He tried to talk, but the words would not come. Finally he managed to say, in a choked voice: "Won't you let me say something?" "Certainly," said Chief Badenoch in a triumphant voice. "Make a speech to these people if you like. Say anything you want to."

What Would He Like to Say?

"Collins spoke barely above a whisper. "All I want to say," said he, "is that if any of these people accuse me of doing anything wrong, I'd like—I'd like to say something to them. I'd like to say—I'd like to say—" His voice failed him at this point and he could go no further. "We'll give you a chance to say it later," said Chief Badenoch. "We'll give you plenty of chances. Take him back downstairs."

Sullivan was also identified as the "short" man with more or less emphasis.

RECORD ON A LAND TERRAPIN.

Shows the Maiden and Two Married Names of a Woman.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 15.—Fifty-six years ago at Paoli, this state, Miss Davie Peole carved her name and the date on the back of a land terrapin, turning the creature loose. Ten years later she married the clerk of Orange county, and in the woods she again found the terrapin and she added her new name, with the date. In the years following her husband died and Mrs. Weble moved to Hutchinson, Kas., where she married Dr. McKinley. In 1872, while revisiting her old home, again the same terrapin was found, and for the third time its back was graced with the lady's name. Quite recently the identical terrapin again turned up and for the fourth time its back was graced with an inscription. During the fifty-six years of its recorded history it has not increased its size. Mrs. McKinley is still living at Hutchinson.

Convention of Longshoremen.

ESCANABA, Mich., July 15.—The Long shoremen's convention assembled yesterday, President Kelly in the chair, and delegates present from Cleveland, Alpena, Ashland, Ausable, Detroit, Marquette, and other lake ports. No business was done except the speech of welcome by Mayor Gallop, replies by the president and vice president, and organization. A mass meeting was held last evening.

Receiver for a Grocery Firm.

DECATUR, Ill., July 15.—George Stadler and Sherman McClellan have been appointed receivers of the Young Bros. & Maris Co., wholesale grocers. Bond was fixed at \$150,000. The appointment was made at the request of the stockholders. Liabilities, \$112,000; assets, \$196,000. F. M. Young, president of the company, states that it is going into the hands of receivers to be closed out.

Republican Headquarters at Chicago.

CLEVELAND, July 15.—The national Republican executive committee will meet here today and the most important business to be transacted will be the selection of a city where the national headquarters will be located. It is generally believed here that New York is practically out of the race and that Chicago will be decided upon.

Populists of South Dakota.

HURON, July 15.—The Populist state convention lasted well into this morning and a standard Populist platform was reported. The convention will meet again today and will endorse Bryan and ask the St. Louis convention to do likewise.

Fatal Collapse of a Building.

BOSTON, July 15.—By the collapse of wooden buildings at the north end an unknown Italian laborer was killed and John Levere, a 15-year-old boy, had his right leg broken in three places, which will necessitate its amputation.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

Because J. I. Tallman, William McClure, James Craig, James Thomas and James McClure could not furnish \$300,000 bail each in Justice Hannigan's court at Chicago they are now inmates of the county jail. The men, who operated as Tillman & Co. in mining stocks, with offices in the Klato and Commerce buildings, are charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, embezzlement, conspiracy to defraud and larceny.

Porfirio Diaz has been re-elected president of Mexico, for the sixth time, receiving every vote of the 22,000 electors.

Watts Iron furnace at Middleboro, Ky., has closed, and 200 men are thrown out of employment. Cause, low price of pig-iron.

The failure of the New York Smelting and Refining company last June was caused by dishonest employees, who stole \$80,000 of the company's funds.

Obituary: At Pana, Ill., F. Frankendorf Puthley, 90. At Jacksonville, Ill., Luther Whitlock, 93. At Madison, Wis., Dr. C. W. Robbins.

Fred Rock, of Chicago, private in company I, Seventh regiment, was drowned while bathing in the Sangamon river at Camp Chikepin, near Springfield, Ills. Patrick Maloney, a private in company B, Seventh regiment, struck a rock while diving in the river at the same place. His back was broken and he will die.

The sea lion that escaped from Lincoln park, Chicago, two years ago has been seen in the Chebogue river.

Robert M. Hunter and William Joyce, cabin boys on the steamer Bonanza, shot and killed Peter Whitaker, at Pomeroy, O. The killing was the result of their rivalry over a woman.

Adam Bunk was drowned while bathing in a clay pool at Twenty-first street and the Panhandle tracks at Chicago.

The common council of Columbus, O., has passed the curfew ordinance, which provides that children under 15 must not be found on the streets after 9 o'clock.

Kenneth Beers, of Harvey, Ills., was exonerated by a coroner's jury at Chicago for shooting William Rainings, a chicken thief.

Rev. Father Henry Anderson, a priest of Hamilton, O., has begun impeachment proceedings against Mayor Charles S. Bosch on account of extreme noise made by hoodlums and which the mayor has been unable to stop.

Herman & Koch, New York jewelers, have offered \$500 for the return of a stolen pearl weighing thirty-five grains and set in a scarf pin. No questions will be asked.

John Rice, well-known shoe dealer of Lima, O., is under arrest charged with burning his store for the insurance money.

Boston is in danger of a water famine and the consumers have been asked to cut down the amount used.

Cornelius Vanderbilt III.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Cornelius Vanderbilt was taken ill while visiting his sick son yesterday, and it was rumored that it was an attack of paralysis. His friends say it is nothing serious. This event will again postpone the marriage of young Vanderbilt and Miss Grace Wilson, about which so much has been printed.

Senator Gray Not for Bolting.

BALTIMORE, July 15.—The Sun has an interview with Senator Gray, of Delaware, in which he opposes the Illinois movement for a new convention and says he would make the fight in congress.

Death of a Noted Musician.

BUCKFIELD, Me., July 15.—Luther Whiting Mason died yesterday. Mr. Mason was famous the world over as the author of the Chart system of teaching music in public schools.

Peffer Is for Bryan.

WICHITA, Kas., July 15.—Ex-Representative Peffer has written an autograph letter to The Commoner in which he comes out for Populist indorsement of Bryan.

The Weather That Sometimes Comes.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The following are the weather indications for twenty-four hours from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illinois—Generally fair weather; continued high temperature; southerly, shifting to northerly winds. For Lower Michigan—Showers this morning, followed by fair weather; fresh to brisk southwesterly, shifting to northwesterly winds. For Upper Michigan—Generally fair weather; fresh to brisk northwesterly winds. For Wisconsin—Generally fair weather; cooler tomorrow night; light to fresh northwesterly winds. For Iowa—Fair weather; cooler tomorrow night; variable winds.

THE MARKETS.

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Chicago Grain and Produce.

Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today: Wheat—July, opened 54 1/2, closed 54 1/2; September, opened 55 1/2, closed 55 1/2; December, opened 57 1/2, closed 57 1/2; Corn—July, opened 27 1/2, closed 27 1/2; September, opened 27 1/2, closed 27 1/2; May, opened 29 1/2, closed 29 1/2; Oats—July, opened 16 1/2, closed 16 1/2; September, opened 16 1/2, closed 16 1/2; May, opened 16 1/2, closed 16 1/2; Pork—July, nominal, closed 36 1/2; September, opened 36 1/2, closed 36 1/2; January, opened 37 1/2, closed 37 1/2; Lard—July, nominal, closed 3 1/2; September, opened 3 1/2, closed 3 1/2. Produce: Butter—Extra creamery, 14 1/2 per lb.; extra dairy, 12; fresh packing stock, 7 1/2 @ 8. Eggs—Fresh stock, 20 @ 21 per dozen. Live poultry—Turkeys, 75 @ 80 per lb.; chickens (Geese), 8; spring chickens, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; roosters, 5; ducks, 8 @ 9; geese, \$4.00 per doz. New potatoes, 75 @ 80 per barrel. Honey—White clover, 13 1/2 @ 14 per lb.; broken comb, 9 1/2 @ 10; extracted, 5 @ 6. Red raspberries, 2 @ 2 1/2 per 24-pint case. Blackberries, 9 @ 10 per 24-pint case.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, July 14. Live Stock—Prices at the Union Stock yards today ranged as follows: Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 9,000, sales ranged at \$3.95 @ 4.05 pigs, \$3.95 @ 4.05 light, \$4.05 @ 4.15 rough packing, \$3.95 @ 4.05 mixed, \$4.15 @ 4.25 heavy packing and shipping lots. Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 3,000; quotations ranged at \$2.25 @ 2.35 choice to extra shipping steers, \$4.00 @ 4.10 good to choice, \$3.75 @ 3.85 fair to good, \$3.50 @ 3.60 common to good, \$2.75 @ 2.85. Butchers' steers, \$2.45 @ 2.55 stockers, \$2.15 @ 2.25 feeders, \$1.90 @ 2.00 cows, \$2.40 @ 2.50 heifers, \$2.00 @ 2.15 bulls, oxen and stags, \$2.50 @ 2.75 Texas steers, and \$2.75 @ 2.85 veal calves. Sheep and Lambs—Estimated receipts for the day, 12,000; sales ranged at \$2.75 @ 2.90 western, \$2.25 @ 2.75 Texans, \$2.00 @ 2.10 natives and \$2.75 @ 2.90 lambs.

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—Will Kime is quite ill.

—H. B. Schuler of Chicago is here today.

—Henry Fisher of South Dixon is here today.

—Albert O'Malley visited friends in Sterling last evening.

—George Woods of Forest, Ills., is here today on business.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Scholl of Nelson have a girl baby.

—Robby Stare of Sterling is here today to attend the races.

—Otto Boier rides a new Fowler purchased of T. J. Miller.

—E. A. Bartholomew is placing a large monument at Sterling today.

—Water should be taken from the river to sprinkle Assembly road.

—Miss Winnie O'Malley returned last evening from a visit at Elgin.

—Mrs. Andrew Hennessy returned last evening from a visit in Chicago.

—F. M. Norris and J. R. Gay of Chicago, are in town today on business.

—Mrs. Grace Parkins and daughter Hattie, of Chicago, are visiting friends here.

—Fred Messenger of the Dillon Milling Co., of Rock Falls, is attending the races.

—Captain Millard Proctor of Gibson City is visiting with J. E. Grove of Hawley and Co.

—The Young Men's Catholic Temperance Society meets this evening in their hall at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Utley of Oak Park, are visiting at the C. A. Todd home in North Dixon.

—Cleveland does not care to talk about that Chicago convention. When a fisherman talks fish do not bite.

—Miss Emma Walther and niece, Miss Daisy Walther of Chicago are visiting at the A. Frenzel residence.

—Miss Alice Payne of West First St. received notice this morning of the death of a relative at Rockfeller, this state.

—A. F. Brooks writes from Denver that his health is greatly improved, and that outlook for business is very encouraging.

—There were no preliminary races at Pleasure Park this morning as some of the professionals could not arrive until noon from the east.

—Frank Palmer is occupying the store room at the corner of First and Galena avenue as a private bicycle rink and is learning fancy evolutions.

—Gerhart Missman, of West Third street, returned last evening from a visit with his sons who are engaged in business in Pipestone, Minnesota.

—The eldest son of Simon Missman, who is at present in Luzerne, Minnesota, had one of his eyes blown out yesterday. We are unable to obtain any particulars.

—The engineer and other employees in charge of a train which collided near Chicago loaded with people coming from a picnic, in which five were killed and many wounded, were arrested for criminal carelessness.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Jordan and daughter Helen, of Boone, Iowa, are visiting for a few days at the home of the gentleman's uncle, Michael Jordan, in North Dixon. Attorney Jordan was a delegate to the late Chicago convention from the tenth district of Iowa. He was a strong Boise man and feels considerably shaken by the result of the convention.

—A dispatch from Ottawa, this state, states that Comptroller of the Currency, James H. Eckels, who is the guest here of his father-in-law, Postmaster Reed, says he will not support the ticket nominated at Chicago, but as to what course he will take does not definitely state. He says there is no possibility of the election of the free-silver ticket.

The Ottawa Free Trader, edited for fifty-five years by William Osman, opposes an organized bolt by the honest-money Democrats. This paper says: "Of course the platform adopted by this semi-populist convention and its candidates form too bitter a pill for most sound-money Democrats to swallow. Yet there are other and better ways to reject the nauseous dose than by attempting to organize a party split."

—Mrs. Slominski, from Dixon, is with Chas. Gibbs and family. She expects to start for Denver shortly where she will join her husband in an outing in the Rockies.—Lee County Times, Pawpaw.

We fear that it will be "rocky" outing for Mrs. Slominski."

Opening Session of Rock River Chautauqua Assembly a Grand Success



REV. H. A. OTT OF FREEPORT, SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTION.

Assembly Park has on its old time appearance with its white tents dotting the grounds along its streets and avenues. More tenters are on the ground already than at this season last year, which assures a good attendance of tenters. The inauguration services last evening were well attended with possible a 1,000 persons present.

The Polo Orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. J. J. Burns, rendered a number of selections in a very creditable manner. The Rev. E. Brown of Sterling, led in prayer after which Miss Jessie Bodman of DeKalb, the Assembly pianist, played with most admirable touch Rhapsodie, No. 15, by Franz List, and was not permitted to leave the stage till she gave another. Miss Lindberg of Chicago, recited the "Soul of the Violin" and was heartily encored.

Mrs. Anna Ruef Northrup of Chicago, sang with her unusually sweet voice "Alla Stella Confidante," by Robaudi; violin obligato, Miss May Ruef; accompanist, Miss Nellie Moyer.

The recitation by Mrs. C. W. Boucher, entitled "Fourteen to One," a reminiscence of the days of the Klu Klux Klan was given with much affect and true art. Mrs. Boucher has a fine voice which she handles with skill. It was her first appearance on the Assembly platform. It is hoped she can be gotten again to render a selection or two before the session closes.

The impersonation of Prof. Claude B. Davis, of Wooster University, the Assembly Teacher in Elocution and Oratory was rendered with such skill and ability as to at once make him a general favorite of the Assembly. He will be heard often during the sessions. The address of welcome by Hon. C. H. Hughes reviewed the prosperity of the city of Dixon since the last Assembly. He complimented the management for fine program which has been prepared for this season. He also took occasion to say some good things in reference to the movement to establish a public hospital in the city inviting all the Assembly patrons to attend the exercises on "Hospital Day" which will occur on the day following the last day of the Assembly. Mr. Hughes was followed by Prof. A. A. Krape, the president of the Assembly Board of Directors, who in a few well chosen words responded to the Mayors, most excellent speech. The Superintendent of Instruction, Rev. H. A. Ott, of Freeport closed the exercises by alluding to the excellent program they had prepared in which they sought to suit everybody's taste in the selection of lectures, entertainments, concerts, schools, &c.

Prof. E. L. Eaton, D.D., has his fine eight foot refracting telescope erected adjoining the hotel. This instrument has a six inch lens and affords the Assembly patrons a splendid opportunity to examine the sun, moon and the stars as well as the nebulae by day or by night as the case may be. Dr. Eaton is an enthusiast on the subject of astronomy and takes great pains in explaining the movement of the heavenly bodies to all who make enquiries. His instrument is free to all and his explanations outside the hours of his regular lectures are also gratis. As Dr. Eaton will be at the Assembly only five days, those wishing to profit by his presence should act promptly. This will afford High school and Normal school students a splendid opportunity to get some practical knowledge of the heavens which they could not get at any other time.

The Assembly program for this afternoon was changed. In lieu of the lecture by Rev. Lyman E. Prentiss, E. T. Bartholomew, D.D., lectured on the subject: Hawaii.

Tomorrow's program will be:

SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY.

8:30 a. m. Morning Prayer Service, Normal Hall.

9:00 a. m. Normal Bible Class, Subject: "The Land in which Christ Lived." Conducted by Rev. C. W. Heisler, Normal Hall.

10:30 a. m. Popular Scientific series of Lectures on Astronomy, "The Solar System," by Dr. E. L. Eaton, Tabernacle.

2:30 p. m. Chalk Talk by Rev. R. F. Y. Pierce, Tabernacle.

3:30 p. m. Impersonations by Prof. Claude B. Davis and Miss Emma C. Lindberg.

8:00 p. m. Solo by Prof. A. J. Phillips of Chicago.

7 to 8 p. m. Twilight Orchestral Music, Tabernacle.

8:00 p. m. Illustrated Lecture, (Stereopticon) "Colorado and California" by Rev. C. W. Heisler, Tabernacle.

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G. A. Wendel and family are residents of Mound avenue.

E. L. Kling has his wonderful mechanical clock on exhibition in a tent in front of the west wing of the hotel.

Treasurer W. T. Schell and wife are located on Second street.

John Dornblazer is assisting in the secretary's office.

E. A. Sell and wife, of Springfield, live on First street.

Rev. H. A. Ott and family of Freeport are residents of First street.

Editor A. H. Heiple, of Washington, this state, and his family are nicely settled on First street.

Editor Heiple as usual was up before all others this morning and secured a nice string of fish for breakfast.

Mrs. Nagle and Miss Albright of Freeport and Miss Cline, of Canton, make up a pleasant camp that are on First street.

A. E. Thummel, H. Fisher, S. Wilson and their families of Prairieville are occupying the First street cottage.

Rev. J. M. Ruthrauff and family will be up from Carthage tomorrow, and will be gladly welcomed by all of his many friends.

Assembly hotel is entertaining the following late arrivals: E. L. Eaton of Racine, Wisconsin, Mrs. W. Craney and children of Kenosha, Wisconsin, Misses Emma C. Lindberg of Chicago, Claude B. D. Davis of Wooster, Ohio, C. W. Heister of Denver Colorado.

A large party of campers from Clinton, Iowa, arrived at noon today.

A letter from Princeton informs the management that a party of twenty campers will be here next week.

The number of campers will undoubtedly exceed any previous year.

DeKalb people will be in force this evening to attend the concert given by their favorite pianist Miss Jessie Bodman, assisted by Prof. Lewis, violinist of Waterman Hall, Sycamore.

Miss Garfield, one of the performers, a violinist, is known by our people. She won the diamond medal at the Gottschalk Lyric school this summer.

SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

Hints and Happenances in Surrounding Towns and Villages.

FRANKLIN GROVE.

July 14.—Messrs. Gustave Fritz, Chas. Sunday and Frank Fritz and Misses Blackard and Leyman visited at the residence of Carl Krehl over Sunday.

Messrs. Peterman, Hussey, Fredericks, Hamen, Dysart and Haines attended the Democratic convention at Chicago last week.

A band has been organized among the young men of town, and a mournful noise can be heard each evening.

Mr. Chas. Lager and family departed for Chicago last week.

Miss Jennie Burright, of Dixon, was the guest of Myrtle Kreger this week.

Mrs. Engel and son Harold visited Mrs. D. Grimes at Rochelle a few days last week.

W. C. Durkes was a Chicago visitor and took a look at big Convention.

H. B. Roe was a Dixon visitor last Sunday.

John Baker and Alva Dierdorff drove to Dixon last Wednesday.

Mrs. C. Dow is visiting her daughter Mrs. Frank Lalman, at the old home.

Rev. M. L. Norris was in town last Friday.

PRAIRIEVILLE.

July 12.—The whistle of the steam thrasher is heard all over the country now. There is lots of straw this year, but not much grain.

This dry weather starts the well drills. S. S. Royer started out with two yesterday morning and Abram Mason started for Sterling with his steam drill yesterday evening.

Everybody is making preparations for the Assembly. ARGUS.

SUBLETTE.

July 14.—Mrs. Melinda Fox of Cherokee, Texas, is visiting her brother, Deacon Lovering.

Mrs. Richards of Amboy, is spending a few days with her niece, Mrs. Barton.

Some of our citizens are again agitating the question of putting down a four inch water main from the town well to Mrs. Gardner's house.

Farmers are busy in caring for their bountiful crop of hay.

There is to be a spelling school in our Congregational church which will be followed by a peach festival some night next week.

William Walters and wife who have been visiting his brother, Frank, and numerous old friends, have returned to Aurora.

A little girl, a niece of Mrs. Seter Keils, was badly burned by fire crackers. Doctor Owen attended her and she is improving. J. B. B.

Beats Stocks.

"I haven't seen you on 'change lately."

"No. I'm making more money by outside speculation."

"Any objection to putting me next to it?"

"None at all. It's simply getting bets on the weather. I copper the weather predictions."—Chicago Tribune.

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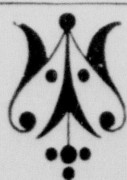
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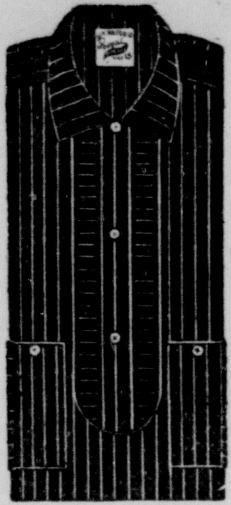
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Death of a Pioneer.

John Pankhurst, whose illness caused by being knocked down by a bicycle we announced some days since, died at his home in Grand Detour last evening at eight o'clock aged eighty-six years. Mr. Pankhurst as we stated in giving an account of the sad accident that he met with, was an early and much respected citizen of Grand Detour, loved by neighbors who had known him so long and well. Born in England, June 12, 1810; he moved to America in 1850, and came from Pennsylvania to Grand Detour a year later where he has lived since that time.

Mr. Pankhurst was about thirty years the efficient and trusted foreman of the Grand Detour Plow Company and gained the respect not only of his employers, but the entire company.

He leaves to mourn his loss the following: one brother and three sisters in England; also three sons a daughter, viz: Stephen of Oregon, Ill.; William of Dixon; Dr. James of Grand Detour and Mrs. E. C. Loomis of Eugene, Oregon, and a brother, George, of Colorado. The wife and mother died some three years since.

George Pankhurst, brother of the deceased, came from Breckenridge, Colorado, to attend the funeral, which takes place tomorrow, Thursday, afternoon at half past two o'clock. The Rev. H. C. Granger, of this city, officiating.

ILLINOIS STATE FAIR.

The Great Show at Springfield, Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 1896.

The great annual exhibition will commence Monday, Sept. 28, and close Saturday, Oct. 3, 1896. The premium lists are now being distributed throughout the Union. The offerings aggregate \$45,000, and the classification is greatly improved over that of last season.

The conveniences and accommodations of the Illinois State Fair grounds surpass those of any in this or any other country. Visitors will be gratified with the improvements made to the grounds since last fair, and can rest assured that there will be no let up in the good work until the grounds present the appearance of a beautiful, high grade park.

The State Board of Agriculture has spared no pains in the past in making the Illinois State Fair the "greatest fair on earth," and will put forth every effort to make the coming fair greater than any of its forty-two predecessors.

Barnes' Table-Talk.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., July 13, 1896.

When Cleveland was nominated four years ago the Democracy of this city fairly painted the town red. They had no trouble whatever in collecting the money to buy the paint, and in the crowd that followed the band wagon you could see some of our best and wealthiest citizens. But, alas, all this has changed.

At a meeting called Saturday evening for the purpose of getting up a ratification and grand blow-out in honor of Bland and Sewell only twenty-five men could be got together, and not a dollar was subscribed to the paint fund. Men, who in former years had fairly tumbled over each other in their eagerness to hand in their cash, now were conspicuous by their absence, and I was told that the committee appointed to run down the necessary funds are nearly out of breath and terribly heated under the collar. I understand, however, that the saloons have agreed to help a little, just to draw a crowd, knowing full well that it will all be returned to them with interest.

This is an awful state of affairs, now, isn't it? And still it is not to be wondered at. The wild, visionary financial scheme adopted at Chicago last week by the so-called Democratic party is enough to cause distrust among the men who are in the habit of saving their money, and the "boy orator of the Platte" will find this out after the votes are counted in November. He will also find out that the audience that he is now about to face is not the wild rabble that was carried away by his storm of finely placed words at the convention. They will be apt to ask questions that Mr. Bryan will find no words in which to answer.

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Where Pumice Stone Comes From.

We often hear it remarked, and particularly after the eruption of a volcano, that pumice stone ought to be plentiful and cheap, as quantities must have been ejected during the volcanic disturbance. As a matter of fact, however, none of the white stone in general use is obtained from active volcanoes. It comes from the deposits of the article discovered in one or two quarters of the globe, the best of which is at present to be found in the island of Lipari, situated in the Tyrrhenian sea. The island is mountainous in character and consists of tuffs and lavas, and of highly siliceous volcanic products. The district where the stone is found is called Campo Bianco or Monte Petalo, 1,500 feet above the level of the sea.

After riding a considerable distance, partly along precipitous paths sufficiently dangerous to be interesting and partly through vineyards and over grassy plains, one almost comes suddenly upon a seemingly snow clad valley, inclosed by hills, also quite white, and the whole glaringly bright on a sunny day. Into those hills workmen are unceasingly digging deep burrows, working within by candlelight. In their excavations they come across many lumps of pumice stone, which are placed in baskets, subsequently being conveyed along the valley to the seashore, where small boats are loaded and sail to the seaport near by, where the stone is sorted, packed and shipped to distant parts either by way of Messina or Leghorn.—Popular Science News.

A Leg, a Crutch and a Wheel.

The wheelman had only one leg, but he was riding with all the assurance and ease of an expert, and he evidently could have "scorched" had he so desired. He had on a tasteful, quiet bicycling suit, and his one leg was neatly incased in half a pair of knickerbockers. Across the handle bars of the wheel lay a crutch. At Twenty-sixth street he alighted easily and gracefully, leaned his wheel against the curbing, adjusted his crutch and hobbled into a cafe. When he came out, the people who had seen him dismount had gathered in a little crowd in the interests of science to see him mount his wheel again. It was a very simple performance. He gave a glance of mingled amusement and triumph at the crowd, put his foot on the step of his machine, grasped the left handle bar firmly with one hand, gave a vigorous push with his crutch and glided easily away. "That's easy," he shouted back over his shoulder to the crowd.

The people looked at each other in astonishment. "Well! well!" said the fat man who had been one of the most interested observers. "The cripple may throw his crutches to the winds. That scheme discounts a wooden leg."—New York Tribune.

A Hornless Buck.

A curious and exceedingly unusual freak is reported by a deer hunter to Forest and Stream. The hunter was up in Wexford county, Mich., and got on a deer trail that had hoof marks plainly made by a buck. Almost all hunters of deer can tell a buck from a doe track. After trailing the deer and getting within a rod of it the buck leaped out of a clump of brush and got knocked down with a bullet through the head. The deer did not have any horns, although a 2-year-old and weighing 150 pounds. Further, it never had had any horns.

Does with horns, bucks with three horns, dozens of spikes and malformed horns have often been reported of Michigan and other American deer, but this is the first hornless American buck reported, although some European deer sometimes lack such weapons, but yet are able to whip the horned ones.

Wood Pulp.

A new and efficient machine for grinding a log into paper pulp and producing a superior quality of fiber is described in The Manufacturers' Gazette as having a metallic base, heavy and over an inch thick, pierced with holes throughout its surface, and the inner surface corrugated; within is a heavy cylinder, the outer surface of which is corrugated, the corrugations running in a direction opposite to the casing. Now, when the cylinder is set in motion and a log of wood is placed between cylinder and casing, the corrugations strip the wood into a soft, fluffy, fibrous material, in appearance nearly like cotton—so nearly like it, in fact, as to be mistaken for that article by the uninitiated. In the final stage of this simple operation the fibrous material is forced through the holes which pierce the casing of the machine.

Buffalo Carp.

We have a fish in the Illinois river which does not feed on anything except vegetable matter, and its name is buffalo carp. This fish in every way is superior to the German carp. The buffalo carp we ship in carload lots to New York in the winter season, and at times they sell at a fair profit to the fisherman. In the summer they are shipped to all parts of the west. We learn that no one in New York except the Jews eat the buffalo carp, but we think if some of the gentiles would try them they would be surprised, as they are a purely vegetable eating fish and exceedingly sweet to the taste.—Beardstown (Ill.) Letter in Fishing Gazette.

Changed Meanings.

"It's very funny," remarked old Mrs. Homespun, "how the meanings of words change. Now, when you and I were young, Jed, an orchard was a lot of fruit trees. Yet, here is Mary Ellen writin that her friends, the Van Eltons, at their last party, had the parlor decorated with orchids. Pretty poor decoration, I call it."—New York Journal.

As readers for publishing houses and magazines women show a remarkable instinct in the ability to discover talent. They are more discerning and more severely critical in such matters than are men.

The Alsace-Lorraine Trouble.

There can be no doubt that the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine has been the fundamental cause of European disturbance and apprehension during the last 25 years. Cynics may scoff at sentiment, but the predominant feeling of a great nation counts for something, if not everything, in calculations for the preservation of peace. There are justifiable and unjustifiable causes of war. The difference between jingoism and patriotism is that jingoism will go to war whether for a good or a bad cause, while patriotism will only undertake it for a good cause. It is a huge blunder to impose terms of peace fundamentally unjust, leaving a grievance that enlists an evergrowing sympathy. Generosity and forbearance toward a vanquished enemy, especially if that enemy be a great nation, is the best policy.

Germany acted on this principle after she had defeated Austria in 1866. She did not take an inch of territory, and she left no permanent sore of wounded patriotism. It was, therefore, possible to make an ally of Austria, and she became one. Unfortunately, after her conquest of France, she committed the blunder of annexing French territory. The military experts were called in to declare that this was a strategical necessity, and, leaving aside the question of inhabitants declared to be of German origin, but who were devoted to France, some 600,000 pure Frenchmen in Lorraine were passed under the German yoke. Annexations are only successful when the victims belong to small countries, such as Poland or Denmark. France is a powerful enough nation to resent and ultimately to revenge or to remedy the wrong. She bides her time. There is only one permanent sentiment which unites all parties in France, that is the desire to recover Alsace-Lorraine.—National Review.

Knew All About It.

A consequential young man called at the marriage license office, gave the necessary information and was given a pink certificate directed to the treasury department.

"Now," said Clerk Danforth, "you take this to the fee department of the treasurer's office, down stairs at the other end of the main corridor, pay \$2 and get your receipt. Then!"

"Thanks. I guess I can attend to the rest of the affair myself, sir."

Danforth only smiled. The same night at 10 o'clock there was a ring at his door. He threw on enough clothes to make himself presentable and hurried down. At the door he found the young man who had called for the license.

"What kind of a confounded blunder did you make?" he demanded. "I asked for a license and got this," and he waved the treasurer's receipt for \$2.

"That is only the receipt for your money. If you had brought that back to me, I would have issued the license," said Danforth.

"Why didn't you say so?"

"I tried to, but you knew it all and wouldn't let me."

"Well, I want a license. The guests are all at the house waiting, and the minister won't marry us till I get a license."

"All right. Let them wait. Come to the city hall tomorrow during office hours and I'll issue a license. Good night!" and the young man who knew all about it was shut out in the cold night.—San Francisco Post.

A Family Reunion.

As the eminent after dinner orator sat down, the thin young man with the nose glasses arose and said:

"Delightful as this occasion is to all of us, to me it is fraught with a higher, holier joy than comes to the rest of you. I have just made the discovery that the eminent speaker is my great-grandfather."

They scanned him critically, but he presented no evidence of being overcome by potatoes. He continued:

"The incident the gentleman has just told as happening in his own experience is one which I have often heard my grandfather relate as an experience of his father. Knowing, as I do, the perfect veracity of both the eminent speaker and my grandfather, the statement I have just made I make with full confidence in its correctness."

And all were silent.—Indianapolis Journal.

The "Tree of Life."

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Through Savage Eyes.

A missionary at Uganda, referring to the women recently sent out to that post by the Church Missionary society, says: "Their arrival caused great joy to the natives, especially to the women, and no small amount of comment. The waists of the English ladies attracted great attention. The natives instantly gave the ladies the name of 'slender middled.' The king asked various cool questions—how old they were, etc.—and they told him. He then said, on noticing their ample sleeves, that they must put all their food up their sleeves, as it evidently did not go inside."

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OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

The New Woman in the Metropolis.
Mark Hanna's Democrat Nephew.
Fencing Off the Cyclists.

Verily these are the days of woman's advancement. If this sort of thing keeps up much longer, instead of the old question, "Are women our equals?" we shall soon be asking, "Are we the equals of woman?" For example, next season's plans of the League For Political Education show a marked advance in political woman's standing. In this city she has been willing to make haste slowly, and consequently her every step has told. To fit herself fully for what lies before her she intends to study every phase of the subject. The class in political economy will have a committee of nine women to watch important bills before congress, the legislature and the common council. Civil service reform comes in for its share of attention, and a bulletin class of the world's progress, especially giving light on domestic and foreign politics, will continue throughout the year. Saturday morning lectures will be on political and social topics, and the rest of the week's schedule would seem to fill every available hour. The league is rejoicing in the nucleus of a circulating library which it is intended shall be one of the features of the society.

Clara Louise Kellogg Still Rich.
A story gained currency here a couple of years ago to the effect that Clara Louise Kellogg's large fortune had been dissipated. There was absolutely no truth in the rumor, and its falsity was promptly exposed. Periodically, however, since then it has bobbed up in various forms in many sections. It has also reached London at last apparently, as a recent mail from London discloses the fact that several of the English papers have wasted a good deal of sentiment on this same unfounded rumor. One of them says that in times past Clara Louise Kellogg displayed remarkable business aptitude, and the writer cannot understand how she has been brought to such extreme poverty. As a matter of fact she is still a wealthy woman, and her appearance at a table d'hôte was the only foundation that this story of her poverty had. She has entertained her friends in New York as usual this past winter, and at present she is at her country home in Connecticut, riding a bicycle whenever the weather will permit.

Mark Hanna's Democrat Nephew.
There are very few families the members of which are all of one mind on the subject of politics, and consequently marked differences of opinion on that subject in the home circle scarcely excite comment. Here is a case, though, which is attracting a good deal of attention by reason of the great prominence of one of the interested parties.

William Hanna, a hustling young Tammanyite of the Sixteenth Assembly district of this city, who is employed in the county clerk's office, is a nephew of Mark Hanna, the campaign manager of Presidential Candidate McKinley. The nephew is a stalwart Democrat and will work hard to defeat McKinley, whom his uncle will work equally hard to elect.

"My father," said William Hanna, "and my uncle Mark were brought up in the old Eleventh ward. During President Buchanan's administration my father, who was a red-hot Democrat, was superintendent of the navy yard in Brooklyn. Uncle Mark went west when he was quite a young man."

The spirit of vandalism seems to be born in human beings. What boy is there to whose ear the rattle of a pane of glass broken by his bean shooter is not the sweetest sort of music? And although it is held in check as we grow older, doubtless, in a measure, through a wholesome regard for the law and the fear of personal retaliation, the spirit will manifest itself upon the slightest provocation. This is shown by what has happened within the last few weeks at Irvington.

Cyclists at Irving's Home.
Bicyclists have been making pilgrimages to Washington Irving's old home, Sunnyside, at that place, in such numbers that it has been found necessary to surround the house with a wire fence, as the building is already in poor repair and the hordes of wheelmen that swept down on it every Sunday and holiday threatened to do the place serious damage. It was bad enough to have the beautiful and well kept grounds strewn with lunch boxes and papers, but when the bicyclists began to make themselves at home on the piazzas and about the house the wire fence was put up. This summer, for the first time in many years, the house is occupied only by a caretaker. It has belonged for years to two nieces of the author, who are elderly spinsters. By a restriction in Irving's will they are prevented from selling the property to any one but a member of the Irving family, and unless they did this the place, at their death, was to become the property of the state. About a year ago Sunnyside was bought by a nephew of theirs, and it is said to be his intention to enlarge and entirely restore the old home. The first step in this work was to fence off the bicyclists, who would have succeeded after awhile in making such an undertaking very difficult.

Children as Expert Cyclists.
Have you ever noticed how much more readily children take to sports and exercise in which agility and self confidence are factors than do their seniors? Any physician can give you the scientific reason, but the fact impresses one as being none the less remarkable despite that. By far the most skillful of the bicycle riders who crowd the Boulevard and the asphalted streets these fine afternoons are children, little shavers of from 5 to 10 years. The boys of this age who ride travel alongside of the older bicyclists without any difficulty, and, in fact, seem able to make greater distances with less fatigue than the grown ups. **JOSEPH RUSSELL.**
New York.

DECEITFUL EDUCATION.

How the Farmers Are Being Deceived by So Called "Farm Papers."

There was a time not long ago when the hundreds of farm journals published throughout the country were devoted to matters connected with grain growing, stock raising, cotton planting, sheep breeding, hog fattening, poultry keeping and similar branches of our great agricultural industries. But since the free silver craze has been pushed to the front by the glib tongued prophets of prosperity through cheap and trashy currency, many of these journals have become the organs of the men who farm the farmers for political purposes, and are filled with the cunning fallacies and misrepresentations of the 16 to 1 schemers.

Prominent among the papers, which ignorantly or intentionally are doing the work of the silver bullionaires of the Rocky mountains, is Farm, Field and Fireside of Chicago. That journal, in a recent issue, devotes nearly five pages to the silver question, and tries to persuade its farmer readers that free coinage will make them richer. How it will do this the editor does not explain. He simply says it will, and expects his readers to swallow what he tells them.

The reliability of the statements of this particular paper can be judged from its assertion that the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 would not mean silver monometallism, but would give us a bimetallic standard. The claim of the sound money advocates that free coinage would put the country on a silver basis is characterized as "a lie and an insult to the intelligence of every producer in the land."

Let us see. Instead of wasting time in disputes over what may be the result of free coinage of silver, it is only necessary to look at all the countries which now have that system in full operation. What do we find? Simply this, that every country in the world which has free and unlimited coinage of silver at a fixed ratio, such as Farm, Field and Fireside wants for the United States, is on a silver basis, and has no gold in circulation. This is one great fact against which yards of cheap money editorials or gales of 16 to 1 oratory can make no impression. No free silver country in the world, though some of them have four times as many people as there are in the United States, is able to maintain a bimetallic standard. Silver, and silver alone, is the standard of value and basis for currency. This is not goldbug theory or money shark teaching. It is pure, unadulterated truth.

Farm, Field and Fireside says that "Silver monometallism would be almost as bad as gold monometallism." It would be a great deal worse, but it is important to note that while pretending to condemn the policy which must inevitably lead to the silver basis, that paper admits the unpopularity of silver monometallism. Its farmer readers should insist on being told why the results of free coinage would not be the same in this country as in all the other nations of the earth which have tried it.

Trying to Hurt Business.
The silverites who are howling about "hard times" and appealing for votes for free coinage on the ground that business is dull are very careful not to give any particulars as to the way in which their scheme will improve matters. This neglect of a very important part of a new policy can only be explained by the absence of any facts which would support the free silver theories.

What do these cheap money shouters expect, anyhow? How could business be good with a lot of agitators stirring up the whole country with their threats of upsetting the financial system on which business has been transacted for the last 20 years? Are the owners of capital likely to invest in productive industry so long as there is a danger that a free silver congress will confiscate one-half of it? Will any sensible man lend money to start new enterprises if there is the slightest reason for thinking that he will not get it all back? Is it any wonder that there should be idle men when investors are afraid to part with the money which should go to build mills and factories and give the workers employment?

The silverites would hardly be surprised if after a lot of fireworks had been set off near a horse the frightened animal should run away. Now should they find any reason for surprise if their threats of repudiation and a financial revolution should not scare the country into prosperity?

Venezuela Done With Silver and Paper.
By a constitutional amendment, now ratified, Venezuela has moved upward from the silver to the gold standard.

The amendment reads: "Neither the legislative nor the executive, nor any other power in the republic, shall in any case or for any motive issue paper money nor declare as legal tender any bank notes or any other value represented in paper, nor shall the coining of silver or nickel be ordered without previous authorization of congress, subject to the same procedure as in the enactment of other laws."

Venezuela has been trying to make progress under a limited double standard. Like most other progressive countries, she has decided that fiat money, whether of paper or silver, handicaps her industries by keeping capital away.

There are Americans who would advise the United States to go back to the monetary system Venezuela has been compelled to abandon in order to acquire an advantageous place among young and alert communities.

Pauperism and Silver Basis.
Silver only passes because the government is behind it with gold. There is demagoguery in the appeal being made in behalf of silver. This is proved by silver being called the poor man's money. No money is too good to pay the laborer with. China, the South American countries and, in fact, all the pauperized countries in the world are on a silver basis.—Galesburg Mail.

Certificates of Death.
Who can tell how many persons are buried alive every year? How many cases of suspended animation are there on record, and how many horrors that are never known save by accident, when once in a while some grave is opened and discoveries are made that shock whole communities. There is not, up to date, any certain test for death, although there have been experiments and trials innumerable. After exhausting all of the resources of science, medical experts have arrived at the conclusion that the only certain test of death is the condition of the body. Until there are unmistakable signs of decay, death is by no means a foregone conclusion. The sense of smell is the very best possible guide in such matters. Even the eyes are not to be trusted, as there are cases on record where bodies have become almost black and yet life was not extinct.

In one instance burial was delayed by unavoidable circumstances until the friends became alarmed by the color which they mistook for mortification, and, fearing some outbreak of disease, they sent for disinfectants and sanitary experts. Before they arrived, however, there was a marked change in the appearance of the body. From a purplish hue like a bad bruise it gradually became lighter and assumed a lifelike color, and within a few hours there were evidences of returning animation. Although several physicians had been in attendance and the person was pronounced dead the result proved the unreliability of their decision.—New York Ledger.

A Son in the Penitentiary.
"Epigrammatic sentences are interesting, but there is such a thing as being too strongly epigrammatic," said R. F. Barnett of Louisville. "I was going into Louisville from Memphis. On the train was a white haired old lady, with whom chance drew me into conversation. We became quite friendly, and she told me that she was going to visit her son, whom she had not seen for two or three years. He had written a few weeks before, asking her to visit him at Louisville, naming a certain hotel. She arranged her affairs as quickly as possible and went. At the station she was greatly disappointed not to meet her son, and I accompanied her to the hotel. The clerk had not seen him, but gave me a letter for the lady. As soon as she read the first line she fainted, and I hurriedly sent for a physician, picking up the letter. The first paragraph was: 'My Dear Mother—I am now in the penitentiary.' I was shocked, but read further. The next paragraph said: 'I have a good position with the contractors, and it is impossible to get away. Come on to Frankfort. I have already rented a house for us to live in.' It took us three hours to bring the mother to consciousness."—Washington Star.

Lilith, Adam's First Wife.
The old Talmudists had a queer legend concerning the first pair created by the Almighty. According to the story, Lilith was Adam's original "helpmeet," and Eve was the after consideration. The Talmud says that Lilith was created just as Adam was—out of the dust of the earth. Soon after the breath of life had been breathed into her ears (you will remember that the Bible says "nostrils" in Adam's case) her entire nature changed to such an extent that she became a veritable demon. About this time the devil came along, and, recognizing in Adam's wife all that was necessary to make a first class governess of the infernal regions, persuaded her to quit the first man and go with him into the "upper regions of the air." To us this seems like a queer place for the location of hell, but that is the direction the pair are said to have taken when they left Adam as the sole occupant of the garden. At home with the king of the sulphurous domain, she became the mother of devils, and then deserted Pluto and became a "specter of darkness."

After this transformation her sole delight appears to have been in the destruction of innocent babes. It is even said that our word "lullaby" is a corruption of an oriental term, "lilla abi," which means "Avaunt," or "Begone, Lilith." The ignorant and superstitious Jews of the far east still tie amulets or charms around the necks, waists, wrists or ankles of their babes in order to preserve them from Lilith's evil intentions.—St. Louis Republic.

PIN HISTORY.
The Useful Articles Were Known in Early Times to Egyptians.

Pins are, as the saying goes, as old as the hills. In some form or another they have been in existence ever since our first parents clothed themselves in fig leaves, which grew wild in the garden of Eden. As a matter of fact, pins claim a very high antiquity, the earliest form being the natural thorn, which is still used to some extent by the peasant women of upper Egypt. In prehistoric times pins were also made of the small bones of fish and animals.

Among the remains of the lake dwellers of Europe have been found bronze pins and bronze brooches, in which the pins form the prominent feature, many of which are highly ornamental and very beautiful. A few copper and one iron pin have also been found. It is estimated that 10,000 pins have been collected at the lacustrine station of Switzerland alone. A few of these have double stems and were probably used as hairpins. There have been found at Peschiera pins which are exactly the same in form as the safety pins of the present time. Among the single stem pins are many ingenious devices for preventing the spike from passing entirely through the cloth or other material it is used for fastening together. Many of them are so formed that they are thicker in some places than in others. A large number, both of bone and bronze, had the head formed of a loose ring passed through an eye in the pin. A few of them have the appearance of the scarfpin now in use. In Egypt pins with gold heads have been discovered, while in ancient Rome bronze pins and

bone hairpins with ornamental heads have been discovered among relics of Pompeii.—Philadelphia Press.

Juvenile Inspiration.
She was an awfully swell woman, exquisite of make up and languishing of manner. The children watched her and listened to her as she conversed with their mamma evidently with wonder and admiration. A little tot of 3 years stood half concealed behind her mother's skirts and bashfully regarded the fashionable visitor. The latter finally got hold of the childish hand and patted it gently, smilingly displaying her own dazzling fingers.

"Haven't you got anything to say to me, my child?"

"Es ma'am—if oo please!"

"That's a dear! Now, what is it? Something nice, isn't it?"

"Did oo?"

"Yes, dear?"

"Did oo ever make mud pies?"—Pittsburg Dispatch.

One to Be Kept.
A pretty child—a charming little 3-year-old—not long ago received as a present a nursery kitten, saved from the "noyade" that awaited the birth of its brothers and sisters. A short time afterward the child's mamma added two members to the family circle in the shape of twins. On being taken into the nursery to see them, the child gazed on them for some time, looking from one to the other with much curiosity. Then patting one of the plump little cheeks with her rosy fingers she said:

"I think we will keep this one, papa!"—Household Words.

MANICURING AT HOME.
One Branch of a Business That Is Constantly Increasing.

Of the greatly increased and still increasing number of persons who have their hands attended to by professional manicures, a considerable number now have the work done at home. Among the customers at the large manicuring establishments there are almost as many men as women. Those whose hands are cared for at home are nearly all women and regular customers. Operators are sent to them at any desired hour from the manicuring establishments, and there are now visiting manicures who devote themselves entirely to home work. The visiting manicure acquires the art in a manicuring establishment. An apt pupil can learn the work in two or three months. Then she sets about building up a route of customers. Women usually have their hands cared for once a week. They are not likely all to want the work done at the same time, and the visiting manicure endeavors to lay out a route that can be covered without loss of time and which will keep her constantly employed.

More and more parents now have the hands of their children, both boys and girls, cared for by a manicure, beginning when the child is 6 or 7 years old. In the case of children, the work is as often done to cure them of the habit of biting the finger nails as it is to beautify them. It is sought to instill in the child a pride in the appearance of the nails, and thus to prompt it to preserve them in good order. The work thus begun is likely to be continued for purposes of beautifying.

The number of people, men and women, who now have their feet attended to by the chiropodist, as they do their hands by the manicure, has also increased greatly. The work upon the hands is done to beautify them; upon the feet, for comfort. It is now required, by the law of June 3, 1895, that chiropodists shall pass an examination by a board of examiners of the Pediatric Society of the State of New York. Some persons have their feet cared for at home, but much the greater number go to a manicuring establishment, in which chiropodists also are employed, or to a chiropodist's establishment.—New York Sun.

AN ABLE PRACTICAL JOKE.
It Created Considerable Excitement in a University City.

The Cambridge (England) Independent Press retells the story of the hoax perpetrated upon the civic and university authorities at Cambridge on the occasion of the visit of the late shah of Persia to that country. It was on Saturday, June 28, 1873, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, that a telegram was found lying on the hallkeeper's table in the Guildhall. It was directed to the worshipful the mayor of Cambridge, was signed by Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton and read as follows:

"His imperial majesty the shah of Persia desires to visit your university town today en route for London by special, arriving at Cambridge station about 1:10 o'clock. Be prepared with escort and reception as far as time allows."

Instantly everybody began tumbling over his fellow. The town clerk was sent for, and messages were dispatched to the vice chancellor, the members of the corporation, the volunteer officers and the cook of St. Peter's college kitchen. The vice chancellor hurried on his robes, the aldermen and councilors did ditto, the volunteers donned their uniforms, and the cook began to boil and fry.

Nor were the general public behind-hand. Flags were hung out and crowds gathered in the street. Dr. Cookson, the vice chancellor (irreverently known in those days as "Dismal Jimmy"), made his way to the station as fast as his dignity would permit. The mayor, Mr. T. H. Naylor, and the corporation followed suit. A guard of honor and carriages were in waiting, and soon everybody was there except the shah. Then the news flew round that the railway officials knew nothing about the special train, and after a brief delay it was apparent that the whole thing was a hoax. The perpetrators of the hoax were never discovered, though two persons were afterward freely mentioned in connection with it. In the year of grace 1873 the era of practical jokes was past, but had the authors of the shah's visit been alive in the days of Theodore Hook they might have lived in literature.

CHINESE SPLENDOR.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS BEFORE THE REIGNING POTENTATE.

A Formal Reception by the Emperor. Stiff Necked Ceremony in the Midst of Rich Trappings—Magnificent Temples and Palaces in the Forbidden City.

After the present emperor ascended the throne of China his government yielded the point and agreed to receive the diplomatic corps in the same manner that they are received by the sovereigns of Europe. The first ceremony of the kind, which took place on March 5, 1891, was an event in Chinese history. The members of the several legations arrived at Fu Hua, or East Flower gate of the forbidden city, at 10 o'clock on that morning in sedan chairs, each escorted by two mounted officers of the Imperial guards. They were there met by the members of the Tsung li Yamen, who conducted them to the Shih Yung Kung, the temple of the great river god, when they were offered tea and sweetmeats. An hour later they were escorted to the Tsu Kuang Ko, or reception hall, a handsome building profusely decorated with gilded coverings and ornamented with gay colors. The hall is approached by eight marble steps, which lead to a broad marble terrace. Around this terrace is a balustrade supported by pillars of marble, pure white and beautifully engraved.

The emperor arrived about the same time in his chair, which was covered outside and in with yellow silk, the official button on top being gold instead of silver and the ends of the bearing poles being elaborately carved and capped with gilded dragons. The dean of the diplomatic corps, escorted by members of the foreign office, was conducted into the hall, the sides of the approach to the steps, the steps themselves and the terrace being crowded with eunuchs employed in the palace and civil and military officers whose rank did not entitle them to enter the presence of the emperor. Each member of the diplomatic corps was given a separate audience by the emperor, who was seated upon a marble throne. As they crossed the threshold they bowed, advanced three or four paces and bowed again, then advanced to a point between the two dragon pillars, where a third stop and bow were made. There a foreign carpet covered the floor of the platform, which was about three feet high.

The ambassadors and ministers stopped about 12 feet from the emperor, where they made their speeches, which were translated by an interpreter into Chinese. They then advanced and handed letters of credence to Prince Ching, who had been standing on the left of the emperor. Taking the papers, he ascended the steps, approached the table in front of the emperor and laid them upon it, not kneeling until he had deposited them. The emperor replied to the speeches in the Mantchoo dialect after the diplomatists had returned to their places between the dragon pillars, his remarks being translated into Chinese by Prince Ching, sentence by sentence. The exit from the hall was made by walking backward, with bows at three places.

The sides of the audience hall were covered with inscriptions and rare paintings of enormous size. The ceiling was composed of wooden squares 1½ feet in size, divided by heavy rafters, all gorgeously painted with the dragon figures. The supporting columns were of red lacquer, covered with figures of gold dragons.

On the right of the emperor stood Prince Po, on his left Prince Ko, and near him Prince Ching. The room was lined on either side by two rows of high officers of the Imperial guards and chamberlains, many being princes and dukes of the imperial family. No arms were visible except the swords worn by the emperor and the princes. The imperial escort, bearing long red lacquered spears, with silver points and a long tiger tail, could be seen just outside the doors. They presented a picturesque appearance. On either side of the emperor was a straight stem six feet high, supporting at the top what appeared to be painted imitations of peacock tails spread out, the feathers indicating rank in China.

Lengthy inscriptions in Mantchoo were engraved upon a marble plinth back of the throne. Six immense incense bowls of old cloisonne, each guarded by an immense cloisonne dragon of great value, were placed around the platform, while from the ceiling were suspended eight cloisonne lamps made during the Toa-Kuang dynasty. On the table in front of the emperor, which was covered with yellow satin, embroidered with figures of dragons, was placed the pipe of his majesty, a piece of carved jade and gold, the handle formed by the body and tail of a dragon, its mouth as the tobacco bowl.

Within the pink walls that surrounded the forbidden city are several temples and 40 or more palaces and other buildings which are occupied as residences by the emperor's immediate attendants and officers of the guard. They are all of one story and of uniform architecture, differing only in dimensions. Their exteriors are painted that peculiar white which Europeans have never been able to imitate and roofed with tiles of imperial yellow. The Fu Hua, or East Flower gate, is reached from the Tartar city by passing over a marble bridge, handsomely decorated and bearing several tablets with inscriptions that betoken long life, prosperity, happiness and other blessings. Immediately before the gates are the western gardens, handsomely laid out in the highest taste and skill in landscape architecture, and surrounding a lake that covers several acres. The nearest temple is dedicated to the great river god, and there the emperor offers sacrifices to appease that disorderly joss, who is responsible for the floods which so frequently devastate the lowlands of northern China.—Chicago Record.

SKY FLOWERS.

The sower is sowing the seed of the cloud,
Planting the earth with its drifting shroud,
Enshrining the lowly and humbling the proud.

Gently and softly descend the sky flowers,
Sprinkling white petals in dazzling showers,
Garnered and wind borne from arctic bowers.

Lost seems the earth 'neath its raiment of
white,
Spectral and ghostlike, seen in the light
Of the wide moon this midwinter night.

—James Sheridan Hall.

LOVE IS BLIND.

Feathery palm trees, banks of flowers, softly hued fairy lamps, and delicious strains of ever changing music, all these go to make up enchantment!

So, at least, thought Lord Ronald d'Esterre.

He had but just returned from a two years' sojourn in the heart of Africa, a sojourn filled with dangers and privations; his years numbered but five and twenty, he was possessed of a well knit, springy frame and a keen, clear eye, and he had come back from his travels with fame, courage and endurance, but without a penny that he could call his own.

What was next to be done? This was the problem that filled all his spare thoughts. His elder brother had fitted him out for his expedition with the polite intimation that the act was a virtual washing of his hands of the superfluous cadet; his aunts had kissed him so warmly at parting that he was amazed to find them "not at home" when he returned to London; his godfather had given him a £20 note and such a hearty farewell that it was bewildering to be cut by him when they met once more in the club smoking room. "It really seems as if they wish I had never come back!" said the young man to himself, with a smile at the incredible idea, but as time passed on his smiles died away, and he ground his teeth savagely as he realized that his relations had thought it a good investment to lay out £500 and an infinity of farewell in the hope of getting quit of a troublesome incubance.

The thought was a bitter one and in his first fury he vowed to leave his native shores by the next ship, and never return to them again. But upon the heat of his passion there fell a cooling breath, as if from heaven itself, and the lion was straightway changed into a lamb. Lord Ronald d'Esterre had been accustomed so long to be looked upon as a "detrimental" that at first he scarcely dared to show the attraction that lay for him in Violet Harvey's appealing gray eyes and soft, shining hair. To his amazement, however, he found that obstacles melted away miraculously at his approach. Violet herself was shy and retiring, it is true, but her mother smiled sweetly upon him and her father shook him warmly by the hand.

Was ever man so blessed before? "True love does run smooth sometimes, after all!" he said to himself on this bright June evening, as he walked homeward after a meeting with Mrs. Harvey in the park.

"Shall you be at Lady Chesterford's party tonight?" she had said. "Violet and I are going, and we shall be so disappointed if we do not see you."

His honest face had glowed with delight as she spoke, and he seemed to be treading on air as he walked away.

"Even Aunt Maria has taken me back into favor again," he thought. "She was horribly cross when I first came home, but now she is sugared satin whenever I come near her. I dare say it was all my fault, though. I know that I was an ill conditioned brute until Violet came to soften me!"

Lady Maria's flowered headress was the first object that met Lord Ronald's eyes when he entered his hostess' crowded drawing rooms that evening, and somewhat to his surprise it was in close proximity to Mrs. Harvey's frizzled gray head.

"I should not have thought that Aunt Maria would have anything to do with her!" he reflected. "She always says that she can detect the faintest tincture of trade and she must know perfectly well that Mr. Harvey made his money in malt."

At this moment, however, he caught sight of Violet and forgetting all else, he elbowed his way eagerly through the crowd until he reached her side. It might have been only fancy, but at any rate it seemed to him that her welcome was a warmer one than she had ever given him before, and his heart beat faster as he bent over her.

"Will you not come into the conservatory?" he said pleadingly. "It is so hot here." She rose without a word, and they walked away together.

"Do you know that it is only six weeks since I first saw you?" he said. "I can hardly believe it myself, for it seems as if I had known you all my life."

He had an idea even as he spoke that he had seen the remark in almost every love story that he had ever read, but he could not refrain from uttering it, for it seemed so exact an expression of his feelings. Violet, too, had probably heard it before, but from Ronald's lips it sounded absolutely new, and her long eyelashes drooped lower upon her cheek as she listened.

They were walking between banks of flower and fern and the silence between them was too sweet to be broken at once, but Ronald knew that their solitude might be disturbed at any moment, and rousing himself from his dream he had just opened his lips to speak when a voice from some hidden speaker came plainly to their ears.

"It is almost certain to come off tonight, I think. I got him an invitation on purpose."

Ronald started. It was Lady Maria's voice, but he had not the remotest idea to what she was alluding. In another moment, however, she received her answer and it was Violet's turn to start, for it came in her mother's accents: "We shall be only too grateful to

you if it does come off, for her papa and I have always set our hearts on her marrying a lord. The very minute that Violet tells me he has proposed the check shall be sent to you."

Ronald drew back a step, his cheek growing white beneath its bronze. His hands clenched involuntarily, and for a moment Violet expected to see him dash out upon the conspirators; but their voices were already receding in the distance, and as he looked round he saw the anguish in her face.

"Violet! Violet!" he cried, seizing her hands in his. "You knew nothing of this! I swear it with my dying breath!"

She drew her hands away and turned to escape, but he followed her.

"I have not much to offer," he said, "but all I have is at your feet."

She quickly looked up, and a light of gratitude came into her eyes.

"How good you are," she said.

Ronald looked at her in bewilderment. The words were not what he had expected.

"You do not understand," he said.

"I want you to be my wife."

"I do understand," she answered gently, "and I honor you for asking me after what has happened, but I will not take advantage of your generosity."

"It is not generosity," cried Ronald. "It is sheer selfishness!"

But Violet showed no signs of yielding.

"I will not leave you unless you tell me one thing," said Ronald. "If your heart is free, I claim it; but if not, I will never trouble you again. Violet, tell me, do you love any one?"

She looked at him with a face that grew pale under his gaze.

"Yes," she said, "I do."

"That is enough," said Ronald hoarsely, and dropping her hand he turned and went.

"It is strange how ungrateful young people are!" remarked Lady Maria, a few days later, to the friends gathered around her tea table. "I had arranged a most suitable match for my nephew, really done everything in my power to promote it; and yet he actually came here the other day and used the most terrible language—said that I had spoiled his life, and all kinds of dreadful things; and now he has gone off abroad, nobody knows where. I am sure I only hope that I shall never see him again."

Lady Maria's wish seemed likely to be fulfilled, for five long years came and went, bringing no news of Ronald; and though five years could not take the bloom from her cheek, nor the gold from her hair, they could, and did add very materially to the infirmities of her frame. But when at last he did reappear she was willing to overlook the past in spite of her resentment, for Ronald had found his way into a profitable foreign partnership, and instead of fame he brought back money.

"One of the best things I ever did for you was getting you out of that entanglement!" she exclaimed fervently when they met, for Lady Maria came of military stock, and she knew that one of the most successful maneuvers is to carry the war into your enemy's quarters.

Ronald took a glance at her from under his dark eyebrows, but said nothing, and she continued gayly:

"Mr. Harvey went bankrupt a year or two after you went away, and they are quite in poor circumstances now. That upstart girl waits upon the lodgers, I believe."

"You don't say so!" remarked Ronald.

"Where are they living?"

"In Worthing," said Lady Maria, deceived by her coolness. "Lady Hennington was there last month, and she told me that she saw Mrs. Harvey on the Parade, and that the woman actually had the audacity to speak to her! Can you believe it?"

"I don't know," said Ronald; "but I am going to Worthing this afternoon, and I shall see whether she will speak to me!"

"Oh, my dear boy!" cried Lady Maria in genuine distress. "Pray, pray don't do anything so foolish! You have no idea how designing poor people are!"—but she ceased, for the sound of the loudly closing door informed her that she was alone.

"But why did you send me away?" said Ronald a few hours later as he and Violet stood together under the stars and heard the waves beating upon the beach.

"Because I thought after what we overheard you felt yourself bound to say what you did out of consideration for me."

"So your pride came in the way, my little one! Don't you know that pride is one of the deadly sins? However, I can't preach to you now because I want to ask you another question. If you really have loved me all along, why did you tell such a dreadful lie?"

"Yes, a lie. A regular big, black one! When I asked you if you had loved any one, you said yes. Now then, confess at once, because I'm not going to let you off!"

He held her away from him so that he could look into her face and waited inexorably for her answer.

"I saw that you would not listen to any other objection," she said, "and I thought that you were sacrificing yourself, and so—"

"Yes, I know all that," he interrupted, "but you had no business to say what you did! Unless, of course, there really was some one. Come now, tell me."

A flush came over her face, and as she raised her eyes he could see her tears shining in the starlight. He grasped her hands more firmly in his now and looked down at her from the height of his 6 feet.

She tried to speak, but her quivering voice would not be controlled, and with a great wave of love surging up in his heart he drew her close to him.

"Who was it?" he whispered.

She turned to hide her face upon his shoulder and breathed her answer into his ear bent down to catch it.

"You dear, blind boy, it was you!"

—Household Words

A Courtship Episode.

A young couple, evidently from the country, were walking down Regent street one day, apparently looking for something very much in particular. At last they stopped before a large jeweller's window, in which were displayed a number of wedding rings. They stood by the window for a few moments, discussing some urgent question, the big, clumsy looking fellow, who measured about 6 feet, apparently hesitating.

"Go on, George," said the girl, who scarcely reached his elbow. "What's the use of backing out, now you've got so far?"

"I don't half like to, Mary," he replied. "That slick looking fellow in there is sure to grin at me."

"What difference does it make whether he laughs or cries?" exclaimed the girl. "If you haven't the pluck, I'll go myself."

"That's it, Mary," was the response. "If you'll do the asking, I'll come with you and look on."

Followed by her bashful lover, the little woman marched boldly in and chose the wedding ring, while her swain twirled his hat, blushed and looked on. As they left, the shopman gazed after them with a thoughtful air and remarked:

"I admire Mary's pluck, but I shouldn't care to be George ten years from now."—Pearson's Weekly.

Changes In Pronunciation.

It requires no very profound knowledge of English literature to ascertain that the pronunciation of the language has undergone a vast change during the last three centuries. The shrewd conjecture has, indeed, more than once been hazarded that the works of the Elizabethan dramatist would be unintelligible to a modern audience if the native and original pronunciation were adhered to, and certain, at all events, it is that in many well known passages of Shakespeare the very rhythm of the line imperatively demands a strange and unaccustomed accentuation of certain words. With the peculiarities of a later period most people are sufficiently acquainted. That gold was gold and that china was chancy during the Augustan era is matter of common knowledge. And who can forget Pope's description of Atticus:

Dreading even tools, by flatterers besieged,
And so obliging that he never oblig'd?

The last mentioned mode, as well as the two others, lingered on well into the present century and was habitual with Lord John Russell, though they are all, probably, by this time as rare as Rooshia for Russia and rarer than Spaw for Spa.—Chambers' Journal.

A Humbugging Story.

The story of the plot to capture William Penn first appeared in the United States more than 25 years ago. It has been contradicted over and over again, but it still reappears periodically in the newspapers. It is nothing less than a miserable forgery, intended to deceive the public either for the purpose of putting its credulity to a test or of creating a prejudice against the early founders of New England. The name of Mr. Jenkins is entirely unknown at this library. No such chest of old papers as is alleged to have been deposited in the archives of the society has ever been received and no such person as the one said to have made the deposit is known to the members. At the date of the document Cotton Mather was only 19 years old, which fact alone would be presumptive evidence that he was not connected with any such piratical scheme. Furthermore, I doubt whether the word "scamper" was in use at that period.—Notes and Queries.

The Trail of Slang.

It is astonishing how the children pick up slang. No matter how select the neighborhood or how careful the parents the bywords of the street are sure to drop when least expected from infantile lips. A day or two ago a 4-year-old daughter of east end parents was being escorted along East Prospect street by her doting papa, when they met a little boy of the same age escorted by his papa. Both papas are well acquainted, and they stopped to chat for a moment or two.

"Who is this little boy, Mabel?" asked the first papa.

"It's Edward," promptly answered Miss Mabel.

"And who is this with Edward?" continued the first papa as he pointed to the second.

"That's Edward's old man," said Miss Mabel.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Making a Critic.

It was at an art show, and the tall, aesthetic looking girl was walking about in a bored manner, while the short one in serge rhapsodized over everything. Finally the latter remarked apologetically:

"I know my ravings seem crude and undiscriminating to you. Cousin Nell says you're such a connoisseur. How did you ever get to be?"

The tall girl yawned.

"It's very simple," she said. "One merely has to dress for the part and call everything which one understands at all 'hopelessly mediocre.'"—New York Journal.

A Child's Question.

James Payn tells of an amusing question put to him seriously by a little boy of his own. The family were being driven out of their London house to make way for the painters, cleaners and whitewashers. "Papa," said the child, who had evidently been turning the matter over in his own little head, "where do the people in heaven go when the spring cleaning begins there?" The problem was too perplexing even for Mr. Payn.

Prepared to Answer.

She (sentimentally)—What poetry there is in fire!

He (sadly)—Yes. A great deal of my pretty poetry has gone there.—Toronto Record.

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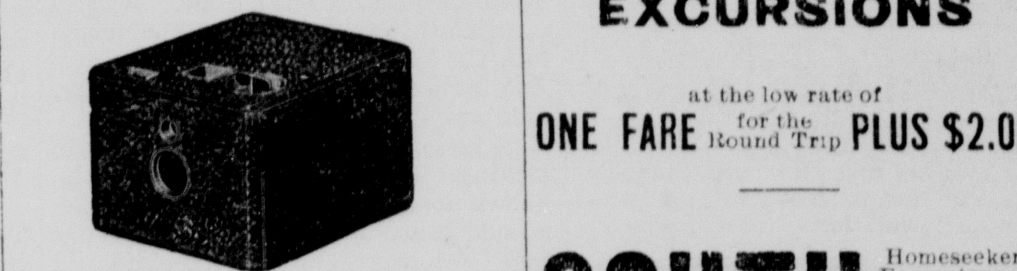
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THE WEATHER.

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Animal Warfare.

The conditions of the life of the monkeys in Africa are sufficiently curious without reference to their acquired habits, though these are undoubtedly due to the dangers to which the nature of the country in which they live exposes them. The different species of baboons, which are found commonly over the whole African continent, are all by nature dwellers in the open country. They find their food on the ground, and whether this be insects or vegetables it is usually in places which afford little shelter or protection. Though strong and well armed with teeth, they are slow animals, with little of the usual monkey agility when on the ground and not particularly active even when climbing among rocks.

In a rocky "kopjes" of the south, or the cliffs and river sides of Abyssinia, and the Nile tributaries, they are safe enough. But they often abandon these entirely to invade the low country. During the Abyssinian expedition conducted by Lord Napier of Magdala they regularly camped near our cantonments on the coast and stole the grain on which the cavalry horses and transport animals were fed. When on expeditions of this kind, they often leave their stronghold for days together, and the means of joint defense from enemies in the open country are then carefully organized. Their natural enemies when thus exposed are the leopard, the lion, and in South Africa the Cape wild dogs. To the attack of the leopard they oppose numbers and discipline.—London Spectator.

High Hats and Prices.

"If I do not have the exact change, I have invariably to pay 15 cents for a drink even in a 10 cent saloon," said a man who habitually wears a high hat, which never appears to be new. "Yesterday, for example, I offered a quarter in payment for a cocktail for which I had paid 10 cents a few days before, as usual. I got back but a dime. When I mentioned the price of my previous cocktail, the saloon keeper said: "You asked for the best whisky, didn't you?"

"I hadn't, but there was no use in kicking. When I told my grocer, who knows the saloon keeper, of the episode, he said it was because of my high hat that I was overcharged. Although I said the hat was too old to give an impression that its wearer was wealthy, he insisted that he was right.

"Either wear a derby, or always carry a dime with you when you go for a drink," he said. "It's the high hat that does it." I intend to take his advice as to the dime or patronize a 15 cent saloon. What I object to is paying 15 cents for a 10 cent drink."—New York Sun.

Shot Into the Senate.

James Shields was elected to the senate in 1848, defeating his predecessor, Senator Breese. Shields had distinguished himself in the Mexican war and at the battle of Cerro Gordo he was shot through the lungs, the ball passing out at his back. His recovery was one of the marvels of the day. Shield's war record is believed to have secured to him his triumph over Breese. When the news of Shields' election was received, a lawyer named Butterfield was speaking of it to a group of friends, when one of them remarked, "It was that Mexican bullet that did the business." "Yes," retorted Butterfield, "that was a great shot. The ball went clear through Shields without hurting him and killed Breese 1,000 miles away."—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Victim of Rudeness.

"Women are so inconsequent," complained Chollie.

"What has happened now?" asked the man to whom Chollie is a specimen to be thoughtfully studied.

"I was saying to Miss Kean that I wished I knew of some way in which I could be of use to the world, and she broke right in on my remarks to tell me that they were making pocketbooks out of monkey skins nowadays. It was pawisively wude."—Indianapolis Journal.

Convalescence.

Doctor—"The matter with you is that you want to be out more.
Patient—"I'll be out enough when I get your bill, doctor.—Yonkers Statesman.

Amusement, Business and Local Items.

TO THE TEACHERS OF LEE COUNTY.

The Lee County Teacher's Annual Institute will be held in Dixon during the week beginning on the 3rd of August '96.

Every effort is being made that this may prove the most successful as well as the most profitable institute ever held in Lee County.

Every teacher in Lee County is expected to attend during the entire time. Don't present some pretty excuse. You owe it to your patrons to attend. If you wish a renewal of your certificate during the coming year, you must have a good institute record.

We feel that the time is ripe for a more thorough sifting of the teachers of Lee County. Hence, we wish to say plainly and at the same time very kindly that if you wish to remain in the ranks, you must attend the institutes and demonstrate by your work in them and in the school room that you are abreast the times.

Boarding places can be secured at reasonable rates by writing the County Superintendent. Cordially,
I. F. EDWARDS.

The strength which comes to us from eating nourishing food is better than stimulation, because it is *near strength*.

The health which belongs to a strong body, well nourished by proper food (properly digested), is the only health that is *lasting*.

The difference between Shaker Digestive Cordial and other medicines is simply that it helps nature to make strength. It does not profess to cure sickness, except as that sickness is a result of weakness caused by food not properly digested.

Shaker Digestive Cordial will relieve the pangs of indigestion, and make thin, sick, weak people as well as if their stomachs had never been out of order.

It is a gentle aid to digestion of nature's strength-maker, food.

At druggists. Trial bottle, 10 cents.

Call on the Dixon Ice Company for pure up-river ice. Telephone 101.

Soft coal that burns as clear as wood is nice, and Pitcher is the only one in Dixon who sells it. It is the Assumption. d&wtf

Quaker bread, the latest and best, try it. Made daily at Beier Bros., the bakers. 75tf

We are selling \$100.00 American bicycles for \$72.50. I. W. KENT & SON. 07tf

Pitcher has plenty of binding twine. 07tf&29tf

Hacks to trains or to any part of the city. Leave orders at L. E. Edwards store, Galena avenue; evenings or Sundays at the Nachusa House; or telephone to stable on third street at any time. Telephone No. 133.

14tf URIAH STROUP.

A. I. Gage is now running hacks to all trains, or any part of the city. Day calls leave at Parker & Sawyer's, telephone 45; night calls at Washington House, Telephone 135. 26tf

TO THE PEOPLE OF DIXON.

The Kindergarten Department of The Steinmann Institute has been enlarged and supplied with additional apparatus and instructors to meet demands of summer time. Children are received for both Kindergarten and Primary Departments. Notify us by telephone (No. 102) or postal card and our carriage will call for the little ones and return them after their work is finished. CHAS. A. STEINMANN. 97tf

A Cold Cure For 10c.

Three little tablets, each a separate prescription that together will cure a cold in one night. "Cold Crackers" are for sale at all druggists. Perfectly harmless. Certain to cure.

Steamboat Rides.

The large steamer Spencer, the safest boat on the river, is well manned and ready for excursions. Leave orders at John D. Parsons' or at the boat. 95tf

Beware of Imitators.

We are the only persons in Dixon that make the Quaker Bread; others are trying to make a loaf that looks like ours and call it Quaker Bread, but it is only common bakers' bread. We lead, and never follow.

C. E. GROVE,
55 First St. The Baker.

FOR RENT.

To some dairyman, 150 acres of good tillable land, with good dwelling, a cow barn with stables for 32 cows, a good dairyhouse with a cool spring of water running through, a nice fish pool near same, good stables and plenty of sheds for hay. In a healthy locality, one mile from Pontiac, Miss. in the Pontotoc Co., State of Miss. Good schools, male and female, in the town. I will rent this farm for \$40.00 per year to a Dairyman. For further information address S. M. BAWB, R. M. S., Memphis, Tenn. 0724*

FURNISHED Rooms for Rent. lit by Electric Lights, and heated by steam in season. New Building, New Furniture. Apply to E. J. RYAN. 05tf

A 12 Room house, 313 Galena Ave. 1 1/2 blocks south of Nachusa Hotel. Enquire of Thos. Dolan, Merchant Tailor. 83tf

FURNISHED ROOMS—Use of bath room—hot and cold water, gentlemen only. GEO. E. SHIELDS, No. 110 West 3rd St. 03tf

FOR SALE.

FINE writing desk and book case combined; also a refrigerator. J. L. HESS. 0816

BUGGYPOLE, with neckyoke complete, 1 set double carriage harness; also 1 roll 150 feet wire fence, 2 inch mesh, 4 feet wide, and 1 roll 150 feet, same, 6 ft. et wide. All in good order. A. B. BUCKENACH, 354 S. Hennepin Ave. 0813*

THREE sets of Fairbanks Platform Scales, medium size, will be sold cheap. RIVERSIDE SHOE CO. 0616

ARCHITECT'S level with tripod and tally pins, office and bed-room furniture, for sale cheap. JACOB M. PATRICK, over Alexander & Howell's. 0613*

SOME choice lots in North Dixon cheap. Three on North Crawford avenue, 75 feet by 150 feet. Two on North Court street, 50 by 150. One on North Dixon avenue, 60 by 150. Also an eight room house and lot on corner of North Crawford avenue and North Court street. HOLLIS PRESCOTT, 6815mo Agent.

WANTED.

HORSES—The undersigned will be at Manges' feed stable July 23d and 24th, and will pay the highest market prices for good horses and mares weighing from 1050 to 1600 lbs. ABE KLEE & SON. 06tf&29tf

A GIRL to do general housework. Apply to A. H. TILLSON. 08tf

SCYTHE, lawn mower and a man, at 352 Peoria avenue. 08tf

A Competent girl to do general housework. Apply to Mrs. JOHN E. MOYER, North Dixon. 0513

A COMPETENT girl to do general housework. Enquire at Mrs. F. A. Aldrich, corner North Galena avenue and Boyd St. 413.

GIRL for kitchen work. Apply at Hotel Bishop. 01tf

TO pasture a limited number of horses. W. D. DREW west of Milk Factory. 69tf

FURNISHED, large front room, with use of laundry, within one block of Post Office. Enquire at this office or address "X" care of this office. 07tf

LOST

LAST Saturday, from a carriage the streets of Dixon a Ladies' dark blue Mackintosh lined with plaid. Finder please leave at Countryman's store. 0913

GOSMIMER, Double Cape—Red satin faced lined. Finder please leave at this office. 0913*

LADIES' Stick Pin with opal set. Lost last Saturday. Finder leave same at this office. 0913*

NEW SAMPLES

Seventy five new patterns of suits and trousers, makes the largest line of suitings ever shown in Dixon.

Custom made Suits for \$12.00.
Custom made Pants for \$3.50.

Duolap and Knox block Hats made to order. Call and look.

CHAS. A. TODD, Agent.

Room 18, Brown Block, up stairs.

TORNADOES!

Get insured before it is too late, with

Smith & Crabtree
Fire Insurance Agents.

GEO. SHAVER,



Livery and Boarding Stable

New and Second-hand Buggies for sale.

113 First Street, Telephone 34.

"PARTY LINE"
TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE.

The CENTRAL UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY has successfully devised apparatus by means of which (without in the least impairing the efficiency of transmission) two or more subscribers' stations may be operated upon the same line or circuit, and be enabled to signal the central office, without disturbing each other. This improvement relieves "party-line" service of its principal drawback and makes it popular with a very large class of telephone users.

In offering this class of service for either grounded or metallic circuits, the Company aims to bring that which is of the highest grade within the satisfactory reach of those whose requirements for telephone service are but limited, and to make its cost to the subscriber less than the regular rates charged for "independent-line" service. The Company refers with perfect confidence to those of its present subscribers who are using "party-line" service with this improved apparatus. The rates for this service will be quoted upon application to the Manager, or he will be glad to call upon those who request it.

FAMOUS,

5c and 10c Store.

CAR LOAD OF

Mason's Fruit Jars

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Just Received.

Special Prices for a Few Days Only!

FAMOUS,

5 and 10c Store.

15 First Street, Dixon, Ill. Look for Sign.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

We desire to state that the parties who advertised in the Evening Telegraph of July 9th have not, and cannot procure, any genuine "Damascus" Cycles (made in Dixon by the Terre Haute Mfg Co.) to sell at the price they name, and we will back up what we say by the following offer:

If the large lot of wheels advertised by a large Chicago concern (where these people say they can get them), are genuine Damascus cycles, made by the Terre Haute Mfg Co., at Dixon, we will donate \$50.00 to the Public Hospital fund of Dixon; if they are not, then the parties in Dixon who advertised the Damascus wheel made in Dixon at a ridiculous price are to donate \$50.00 to the hospital fund, and publish a statement in the Evening Telegraph that they have not and can not get any genuine Damascus cycle made in Dixon for the price they name in their advertisement.

We are aware that it is possible to obtain one or two wheels of almost any make, by some hook or crook, and offer them regardless of cost to injure legitimate agents. for he wheels so obtained. Consequently these parties must agree to furnish as many as wanted, above six wheels, at the price they name, or back down. We mean business and must have copies of the bills submitted with wheel numbers intact and proof that they are genuine Damascus wheels made by the Terre Haute Mfg Co. at Dixon.

Dixon Music Co.

By R. A. Rodesch, President.

GREAT

Childs' Clothing Clearance Sale!

150 Childs' Knee Pant Suits, divided into TWO LOTS.

Lot No. 1.--Choice Per Suit, \$2.00

Suits that have been selling for \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

Lot No. 2.--Choice Per Suit, \$3.00

This lot is the best offering ever shown; suits that have been selling from \$4.50 to \$7.00. These two lots are mostly small sizes, 5, 6, 7 and 8 year old, but they are the most extraordinary Bargains ever shown in Childs' Clothing.

Don't Fail to See Them on Sale in our Show Window!

S. Rosenthal & Son,

14 First Street, Dixon Ill.